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# Able Marine Energy Park Consultation Report

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#### 1 Summary

#### Introduction to the Consultation Report

1.1 This Consultation Report has been prepared on behalf of Able Humber Ports Ltd ("Able"). It has been prepared to accompany the application for a Development Consent Order ("DCO") to be submitted to the Infrastructure Planning Commission ("IPC"). The application for the DCO is to authorise the construction of a new quay with associated onshore facilities, the Able Marine Energy Park, or AMEP, on the south bank of the River Humber, north of Immingham, which is in North Lincolnshire, and an environmental compensation site on the north bank, which is in the East Riding of Yorkshire.

# The Applicant

1.2 Able is a development company operating from its headquarters on Teesside. It has been in operation for 40 years, and has in that time engaged in extensive redevelopment, land remediation and reclamation, demolition, waste disposal and port operations. Able has developed other sites in the area and across the north of England.

#### The Proposed Project

- 1.3 Able is proposing to develop AMEP for the manufacture and transportation of offshore energy infrastructure and provide a significant base for its associated supply chain. The development will also provide quay facilities that are necessary to load offshore energy components such as wind turbines onto new generation installation vessels and to receive and export raw materials and products. Once construction of the offshore marine energy facilities is complete, the harbour will provide a facility from which to operate, monitor and maintain them.
- 1.4 The location for the proposed project is on the south bank of the River Humber, north of Immingham. The centre of the development is at grid reference TA170190. The size of the development is 469.3 ha in total 45.0 ha for the quay, 222.7 ha for the onshore facilities, 48.5 ha for on-site ecological mitigation and 153.1 ha for the compensation site.
- 1.5 The quay will include the reclamation of intertidal and subtidal land within the Humber Estuary. Some dredging will be required in the estuary in front of the quay and for an approach channel. The maximum maintained depth will be immediately in front of the quay at -11m CD.
- 1.6 Associated development will include:
  - (a) dredging and land reclamation associated with the quay;
  - (b) the provision of onshore facilities for the manufacture, assembly and storage of marine energy components including wind turbines and related items;
  - (c) any necessary upgrade works to surrounding roads (Rosper Road, Eastfield Road and the A160);
  - (d) the diversion of existing drainage ditches and creation of new drainage ditches and a new pumping station;
  - (e) the re-siting of apparatus; and
  - (f) the creation of a compensatory environmental habitat on the north bank of the Humber.

#### 1.7 Ancillary matters will include:

- (a) the diversion or stopping up of two footpaths that run along the north and south shore of the Humber respectively;
- (b) the conversion of a railway into a private siding;
- (c) the interference with rights of navigation;
- (d) the creation of a harbour authority;
- (e) a deemed licence under the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009;
- (f) the modification of public and local legislation; and
- (g) the compulsory acquisition of land and rights in land and powers of temporary occupation of land to allow Able to carry out and operate the above development.

## Purpose of the Consultation Report

1.8 This Consultation Report has been prepared pursuant to section 37(3)(c) of the Planning Act 2008 (the "2008 Act"). Under the 2008 Act the consultation report is defined as:

"a report giving details of –

- (a) what has been done in compliance with sections 42, 47 and 48 in relation to a proposed application that has become the application,
- (b) any relevant responses, and
- (c) the account taken of any relevant responses."
- 1.9 A "relevant response" is defined under section 49(3) of the 2008 Act as:
  - "(a) a response from a person consulted under section 42 that is received by the applicant before the deadline imposed by section 45 in that person's case,
  - (b) a response to consultation under section 47(7) that is received by the applicant before any applicable deadline imposed in accordance with the statement prepared under s47, or
  - (c) a response to publicity under section 48 that is received by the applicant before the deadline imposed with section 48(2) in relation to that publicity."

#### **2** The Consultation Process

#### Consultation stages

- 2.1 In July and August 2010 Able carried out a period of informal (non-statutory) consultation with key stakeholders including the relevant local planning authorities North Lincolnshire Council and East Riding of Yorkshire Council (see chapter 3). The responses received were taken into account in the development of the AMEP project and are summarised at Appendix 1c.
- 2.2 In September 2010, Able sent a request to the IPC for a scoping opinion (i.e. what its Environmental Statement should contain). The IPC consulted a similar set of consultees as for Able's informal consultation and produced its scoping opinion with the responses appended. This can be found on the IPC website<sup>1</sup>:
- 2.3 On 31 January 2011, the formal pre-application consultation commenced. This included:
  - (a) direct consultation of specified organisations together with any landowners affect by the AMEP project, under section 42 of the 2008 Act (see chapter 4);
  - (b) consultation of the local community in the vicinity of the proposed AMEP project, under section 47 of the Act (see chapter 5); and
  - (c) general public consultation on the AMEP project, under section 48 of the 2008 Act (see chapter 6).
- 2.4 Able elected to run each of these three strands of consultation in parallel. The deadline for the consultation that began on 31 January 2011 was 20 March 2011.
- 2.5 Following the commencement of the consultation on 31 January some additional section 42 landowner consultees were identified. Formal consultation commenced with these consultees and individual deadlines were given to ensure that they had at least 28 days in which to provide their responses.

#### Approach to consultation

- 2.6 In designing its consultation strategy Able took into account the following guidance:
  - (a) government guidance: on pre-application consultation<sup>2</sup>; and
  - (b) IPC guidance on pre-application stages (as revised at the time of the consultation)<sup>3</sup>.
- 2.7 To ensure that as many people as possible engaged in the consultation, responses could be accepted via any of the following:

(a) email: info@amep.co.uk

(b) Telephone: 0800 046 7320

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 $<sup>^2\</sup> http://www.communities.gov.uk/documents/planningandbuilding/pdf/guidancepreapplication.pdf$ 

http://infrastructure.independent.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/2010/04/IPC-pre-app-guidance-note-1.pdf

- (c) post: Marine Energy Park, Consultation Team, Able House, Billingham Reach, Industrial Estate, Billingham, TS23 1PX
- (d) Website: www.amep.co.uk
- 2.8 Responses received after the deadline provided were taken into consideration. No responses were received later than 31 May 2011.
- 2.9 Able accommodated all requests for extensions of time for responding within its overall timescales for the project.
- 2.10 Able was requested by the two local authorities concerned to carry out further consultations specifically on the diversion of the footpath on each bank of the Humber respectively, which Able did (see chapter 7).
- 2.11 The responses to both the informal and formal pre-application consultation stages have been considered by Able and their advisers and have helped to shape and develop the project.

#### Who was consulted

- 2.12 The consultation process has engaged with the following organisations, groups and individuals:
  - (a) statutory consultees;
  - (b) other technical consultees;
  - (c) local authorities, including neighbouring authorities whose areas adjoin the authority area within which the application site lies;
  - (d) those with interests in land, e.g. owners and lessees etc; and
  - (e) the local and wider community.

#### 3 Informal Consultation

- 3.1 Able sought to ensure that it consulted as early as possible on the proposed approach for the Project. This was to allow responses on the general principle of the Project to be taken into account in its design.
- 3.2 This chapter describes the informal consultation that was undertaken, provides an overview of the responses received and sets out either how these responses were incorporated into the Scoping Report or how they were dealt with in the EIA.
- 3.3 The bodies that were consulted as part of the informal pre-application consultation reflects the consultees required to be notified under section 42 of the 2008 Act but also included a number of non-statutory consultees. This consultation was a precursor to the formal pre-application consultation required by the 2008 Act.
- 3.4 An "Informal Pre-application Consultation Document", to which a web link is provided at Appendix 1a, was issued in early July 2010 to the consultees set out in Appendix 1b. The deadline for receipt of responses was 6 August 2010.
- 3.5 The Informal Pre-application Consultation Document issued by Able gave consultees information on the following, based on details as they were understood at the time:
  - (a) a plan of the proposed development site,
  - (b) a description of the development,
  - (c) an outline of the options, including any alternatives considered,
  - (d) an overview of anticipated impacts,
  - (e) details of any hazardous materials required,
  - (f) information on compulsory purchase and land exchange,
  - (g) confirmation that an EIA was to be carried out, and
  - (h) information on the likely application date.
- 3.6 The responses received from the informal consultation exercise highlighted a range of environmental issues, and included support for the proposed development. Able carefully reviewed all the comments it received to assess their impact on the preparation of its application documents.
- 3.7 A summary of the responses received from consultees is included at Appendix 1c and a copy of the responses themselves is available on request. A full analysis of the responses and how they were dealt with can be found within the Preliminary Environmental Information Report (the "PEIR") that accompanied the statutory pre-application consultation, which is on the AMEP website at www.amep.co.uk/peir.php.
- 3.8 The majority of the issues raised during the informal consultation were taken into account in the preparation of the Scoping Report and subsequently the PEIR and the Environmental Statement. In particular, the Scoping Report took account of the following issues raised:
  - (a) transport impacts from shipping, road and rail movements, including safety,
  - (b) air quality (including dust control measures), noise and pollution,
  - (c) landscape and visual impacts, including the preparation of photomontages,
  - (d) in-combination effects with other adjacent developments,
  - (e) impacts on, and compensation for, European designated sites,
  - (f) flood management, site drainage and coastal protection,

- (g) contaminated land, sediment and waste management issues,
- (h) navigational safety assessments,
- (i) the capacity of dredge disposal sites in the Humber,
- (j) impacts on archaeology and cultural heritage,
- (k) cooling water intake, and
- (l) security issues.
- 3.9 A number of the comments received highlighted the need for more design, build and operational detail with regard to all aspects of the project (biomass, dredging, helipad, wind turbines etc.).
- 3.10 The following main changes were made to the proposed AMEP project in light of the responses received as part of the informal consultation:
  - (a) the biomass plant proposed for the site was no longer included;
  - (b) as a result, dredging was revised to be to a depth of -11 metres CD rather than -15 metres CD;
  - (c) to reduce its environmental impact and its impact on its neighbours, the length of the quay was reduced from 1630 metres to 1320 metres; and
  - (d) a proposed helicopter landing pad was removed from the proposals.
- 3.11 Following the informal consultation Able wrote to the IPC on 15 December 2010 notifying it of the above changes to the proposed project. As a result the project was reclassified as a 'transport project' rather than an 'energy project'.

#### 4 Consultation under Section 42 – Named Consultees and Landowners

- 4.1 Under section 42 of the 2008 Act and regulation 3 of and Schedule 1 to the Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009, Able is required to undertake consultation with a prescribed list of bodies, with host and neighbouring local authorities, and with those who have an interest in the land affected by the application.
- 4.2 Able also included in this process certain key stakeholders who are not prescribed as statutory consultees, which it wished to participate in the consultation process.
- 4.3 A list of all those consulted in compliance with Able's statutory duties under section 42 together with the additional consultees can be found at Appendix 2b.
- 4.4 To establish the identity of the landowners, Able engaged land referencing specialists Ardent Management Ltd. Ardent conducted land registry searches, sent requests for information to the known landowners for information about other land interests, and posted notices on any remaining land that had no obvious owner or occupier.
- 4.5 The formal pre-application consultation commenced on 31 January 2011 and ended on 20 March 2011 (48 days later). Following the commencement of the consultation some additional section 42 landowner consultees were identified. These consultees were provided with the same consultation pack as the others but the end date of their consultation was adjusted to ensure that they had at least 28 days to respond. The final consultation expiry date for such additional consultees was 20 April 2011. A late consultation response was received from Hull City Council and was taken into account.
- 4.6 Section 44 of the 2008 Act sets out the categories of landowners that should be consulted. Which landowners fall into each category can be determined from the Book of Reference submitted with the application (Ref TR030001/APP/13c), although Able has undertaken an exercise of refreshing the land ownership details in the Book of Reference immediately before making its application, so some landowners may have changed since the pre-application consultation exercise.
- 4.7 A formal pre-application consultation document (the "Consultation Document") introducing the consultation on the proposed AMEP was sent to the consultees listed out in Appendix 2b. A web link to this consultation document can be found at Appendix 2a. A list of the responses received and how they influenced the project can be found at Appendix 2c.
- 4.8 The material included in the Consultation Document was as follows:
  - (a) a covering letter introducing the consultation;
  - (b) a description of the project;
  - (c) a CD of the PEIR;
  - (d) a copy of the Statement of Community Consultation; and
  - (e) a copy of the section 48 newspaper notice (to comply with the EIA Regulations).

## 5 Consultation under Section 47 – Community Consultation

#### Development of the SoCC

- 5.1 In accordance with section 47(2) of the 2008 Act, before preparing its statement setting out how it proposed to consult the people living in the vicinity of the land affected (the Statement of Community Consultation, or "SoCC"), Able consulted the relevant local planning authorities North Lincolnshire Council and East Riding of Yorkshire Council (the "Local Authorities").
- 5.2 Able wrote to the Local Authorities and provided them with a draft copy of the SoCC seeking their comments on what would be the best way to consult with the local community. The responses given by the local authorities are provided at Appendix 3a (figures 3a1 and 3a2).
- 5.3 In preparing the draft SoCC and the SoCC, Able took the responses received from the Local Authorities into account as required by section 47(5) the 2008 Act; as well as Department for Communities and Local Government guidance on pre-application consultation as required by section 50 of the 2008 Act.

#### Preliminary Environmental Information

5.4 The proposed AMEP constitutes EIA development for the purposes of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009 (EIA Regulations). In accordance with the EIA Regulations the SoCC stated that the development would be subject to an EIA. The SoCC also highlighted that the consultation documents available for inspection included the PEIR.

## Publication of the SoCC

- 5.5 The SoCC was published in the following local newspapers circulating in the vicinity of the development as required by section 47(6) on 21 January 2011:
  - (a) Hull Daily Mail:
  - (b) Grimsby Telegraph; and
  - (c) Scunthorpe Telegraph,
- 5.6 It was also published in the Holderness Gazette on 20 and 27 January 2011. Copies of the published versions are contained in the 'newspaper notices' application document, reference TR030001/APP/8b.

## Community consultation

- 5.7 To ensure that a wide number of people and organisations were able to engage in the consultation process, Able communicated with local people using the following methods:
  - (a) Exhibitions/Drop-in sessions plans and details of the proposed development were put on display and representatives of the project team were available to answer questions at six exhibitions/drop-in sessions.
  - (b) Leafleting Able leafleted residences, businesses and special interest groups within 2km of the site including the villages of East Halton, North Killingholme, South Killingholme and Keyingham with details about the project. A leaflet and reply card was distributed to these addresses, with a different version of the leaflet for those on the north and south banks of the

- Humber. Copies of the leaflets and reply card that were sent are attached at Appendix 3a.
- (c) Documents for Inspection Consultation documents and plans were made available for inspection see paragraph 5.18.
- (d) Website A bespoke website (www.amep.co.uk) was launched. This included information about the project along with documents, reports and video which could be downloaded.
- (e) Freephone number a freephone number was provided to enable feedback to be given orally.
- (f) Documents for purchase as well as being available for free download from Able's website, hard copies of project documents could be purchased from Able.
- (g) Meetings with local authorities all of the local authorities identified in Table 2b2 (in Appendix 2b) were offered the opportunity of face to face meetings North Lincolnshire, North East Lincolnshire and East Riding of Yorkshire Councils accepted the offer.
- (h) Meetings with local MPs were offered, and Martin Vickers MP and Austin Mitchell MP accepted the offer.
- (i) Meetings with local Parish Councils all of the Parish Councils identified in Table 2b1 (in Appendix 2b) were offered the opportunity of face to face meetings only Paull Parish Council accepted the offer.

## Exhibition/ drop in sessions

- 5.8 The SoCC publicised a series of consultation events on the north and south banks of the Humber. Six events were held at locations around the proposed AMEP site and compensation area in order to allow the public and stakeholders to learn more about the scheme, ask questions of the relevant experts, impart local knowledge to the project team and leave formal feedback. Artwork for the exhibition boards and photographs from the events are attached.
- 5.9 The events took place at local community venues in order to maximize accessibility to the public. The exact dates, times and locations for these events were as advertised in the SoCC, namely:
  - (a) East Halton: the Village Hall, Townside Tues 8 February 2011 2pm 9pm.
  - (b) North Killingholme: the Village Hall, Church Lane Wed 9 February 2011 10am 6pm.
  - (c) Immingham: Civic Centre, Pelham Road Sat 12 February 2011 9am 2pm and Tues 22 February 2011 4pm 9pm.
  - (d) South Killingholme: the Community Centre, Moat Lane Wed 23 February 2011 11am 7pm.
  - (e) Keyingham: the Village Hall, Station Road Thurs 24 February 2011 10am 6pm.
- 5.10 As well as being promoted through the SoCC, the events were also promoted via leaflet drops in villages within 2 km of the development site and compensation site, lamp post signs on the day of the event, A-boards in the villages on the day of the events and TV and radio coverage. Copies of these materials are included at Appendix 3a.

- 5.11 The events allowed attendees to browse the information panels, maps, scoping report, PEIR and other documents, pick up copies of the newsletter, ask questions of the various experts attending the events and leave feedback. A record was made of any comments raised face to face at the events.
- 5.12 A questionnaire was given to everyone who attended the public consultation events so that they could respond on the benefits they considered the scheme would bring, any concerns they had and to raise awareness of any other comments they had. The questionnaire is attached at Appendix 3a.
- 5.13 A freepost card was given to everyone who attended the public consultation events so that they could respond free of charge should they think of any questions they wanted to ask or feedback they wanted give after the event. The freepost card is attached at Appendix 3a.
- 5.14 The consultation events received considerable media coverage with several articles in the Grimsby Telegraph, Scunthorpe Telegraph, Hull Daily Mail and Holderness Gazette. A sample of articles is provided at figures 3a11-3a13. The consultation events were also covered for three days running on lunchtime and evening editions of *BBC Look North* as well as featuring on the ITV *Calendar* programme. *BBC Radio Humberside*, *Viking FM*, *KCFM* and *Lincs FM* also ran the story as part of their news bulletins.

#### Leafleting/ newsletters

- 5.15 Leaflets promoting the scheme, the consultation events, the website, the freepost address and the freephone number were distributed to households within 2 km of the development site and compensation site. In total, 3,000 leaflets were delivered.
- 5.16 Freepost cards were distributed with the leaflets to households within 2 km of the development site and compensation site. This was to allow people who were unable to attend the exhibitions or drop-in sessions to still be able to comment or request further information at no cost to themselves. A total of 3,000 cards were delivered alongside the leaflets.
- 5.17 A newsletter was produced (1,000 copies) summarising the scheme and this was made available at the local libraries listed below at paragraph 5.19 as well as being given to everyone who attended the events so that they could go away and digest the details at their leisure and then feed back via the freepost card or freephone telephone number.

#### Documents for inspection

- 5.18 Documents were available free of charge for inspection at a number of sites from 31 January to 20 March 2011 during the formal consultation period. This was advertised in the SoCC as well as the locations.
- 5.19 The documents that were deposited at the locations were the consultation covering letter (attached at Appendix 2a), the Consultation Document and the PEIR (available at www.amep.co.uk). The locations were:
  - (a) Barton-upon-Humber Library, Providence House, Holydyke, DN18 5PR.
  - (b) Brigg Library, Old Courts Road, Brigg, DN20 8JW.
  - (c) Goxhill Library, The Parish Room, Howe Lane, Goxhill, DN19 7HS.
  - (d) Immingham Library, Civic Centre, Pelham Road, Immingham, DN40 1QF.
  - (e) Scunthorpe Council Office, Church Square House, 30-40 High Street, Scunthorpe, DN15 6NL.

(f) East Riding of Yorkshire Council CSC, 2 New Road, Hedon, HU12 8EN.

#### Website

- 5.20 The website address of www.amep.co.uk was promoted on all literature and appeared in the SoCC. To ensure information was readily available the following documents were available to view and download from the website:
  - (a) Pre-application consultation summary document
  - (b) Scoping Report
  - (c) PEIR
  - (d) SoCC
  - (e) PEIR Indicative Site Plan
  - (f) Informal Pre-application Consultation Document
  - (g) Informal Consultation Masterplan
  - (h) Section 48 notice
  - (i) Consultation Document
  - (i) Able Event Presentation Boards
- 5.21 The dedicated website also included a feedback section to encourage views to be submitted on the development. The website automatically forwarded the feedback form to key members of the team. Responses given via the website, including how they influenced the project, are listed at Appendix 3c.

#### Freephone 0800 number

5.22 A freephone 0800 number was set up to allow residents and stakeholders to ask questions, request more information or leave feedback free of charge. A log of all calls received was made and a copy is attached at Appendix 3c.

#### 6 Consultation under Section 48 – Publicity

6.1 In accordance with section 48 of the 2008 Act a newspaper notice of the consultation, a copy of which can be found at Appendix 4a, was published in the following publications on the dates indicated. Copies of the relevant newspaper pages are included in the 'newspaper notices' application document TR030001/APP/8b.

## 27 January 2011:

- (a) the Times
- (b) Lloyd's List
- (c) the Hull Daily Mail
- (d) the Grimsby Telegraph
- (e) the Scunthorpe Telegraph
- (f) the Holderness Gazette

#### 28 January 2011:

(g) the Fishing News

#### 3 February 2011:

- (h) the Hull Daily Mail
- (i) the Grimsby Telegraph
- (j) the Scunthorpe Telegraph
- (k) the Holderness Gazette
- 6.2 It is not generally possible to ascertain which consultation generated responses from those who were not statutory consultees whether the section 47 consultation or the section 48 consultation. All responses not generated directly through community events are recorded, including how they influenced the project, at Appendix 4b.

## 7 Further engagement following sections 42, 47 and 48 consultation

- 7.1 Able has continued to engage with consultees since the pre-application consultation exercise formally closed in March 2011 to provide more information and seek acceptable solutions to include in its application.
- 7.2 Able has met with various consultees on request and at its own instigation to discuss the project to ensure that the consultees' views could be ascertained in greater detail and taken into account. These meetings continued throughout the informal consultation stage into the formal consultation stage and beyond. A schedule of the meetings is attached at Appendix 5.

## Issues where Agreement is Unresolved

7.3 Whilst substantive agreement has been reached on the significant regulatory matters in relation to the application, some issues remain unresolved with consultees at the time of the application. In some cases, this is because, there are competing views that are impossible to reconcile to all parties satisfaction, such as the route of a footpath diversion. In other cases, whilst Able has provided all the information that can reasonably be required, the interpretation of the data by various parties differs. This is particularly the case with ecological issues where scientific knowledge cannot address hypothetical doubts or the where the balance of uncertainty and risk may be perceived differently. Three specific issues that remain unresolved are noted below.

#### Footpath on the north bank

- 7.4 On this issue, consultees have proposed conflicting solutions Able is neutral as to which one is adopted (or whether a compromise solution is adopted). The issue is whether the realigned footpath on the north bank of the Humber should run along the top of the bund that will surround the compensation site, or should run behind the bund. In simple terms the former solution, advocated by East Riding of Yorkshire Council (ERYC) and the Ramblers, will benefit recreational walkers using the footpath, who will benefit from a view of the estuary, and the latter, advocated by Natural England and the RSPB, is considered to be more beneficial to the wildlife using the compensation site as it is less likely to be disturbed. ERYC has also proposed a compromise of having both footpaths, and allowing the use of one or the other at different times of year.
- 7.5 Able has weighed up these options carefully and has decided to include the footpath behind the bund in its application, together with regular hides on top of the bund that will allow walkers to view the wildlife without causing undue disturbance. Able is, however, open to other solutions, as long as they do not reduce the functional value of the compensatory habitat, cause delay to the application or the project or unreasonable expense.

## Impact of Underwater Noise on Salmon in the Humber Estuary

7.6 The Environment Agency has raised the issue of the effect of noise from piling works on salmon. Piling works that are necessary to construct the front wall of the quay will generate underwater noise that will propogate around the estuary. There is limited understanding of the effect of underwater noise on salmon although it is observed that fatality can occur in close proximity to such works. A number of techniques have been developed that can inform decision making, but certainty (beyond any doubt) is absent.

- 7.7 Neither the Humber nor any of its tributaries are designated by the Environment Agency as one of the 64 principal salmon rivers in England and Wales and there is no Salmon Action Plan covering the site. Nevertheless salmon are recorded as breeding in some tributaries of the Humber.
- 7.8 Based on two scientific assessments by independent consultants it is believed that any salmon that are within the estuary would be able to avoid physical injury. The EIA has therefore concluded that the risk to any specimens of the species that are present in the river system can be adequately mitigated by adopting soft start procedures for piling works.
- 7.9 The Environment Agency has suggested that a more precautionary approach should be adopted but Able consider the economic cost of any additional piling restrictions to be disproportionate to the risk (based upon the evidence available to them), whilst any possible benefit arising would be unquantifiable.

Impact of Converting Farmland adjacent to the Humber Estuary SPA to Intertidal Habitat

- 7.10 Natural England has raised the issue of loss of farmland at the Cherry Cobb Sands Compensation Site. The Humber Estuary SPA supports a large assemblage of overwintering and passage birds that are attracted by the wide expanse of mudflat that is exposed within the estuary at low tide and which provide feeding grounds rich in invertebrates. At high tide the assemblage is forced to roost outside of the SPA. Some flocks roost in adjacent fields whilst others fly several kilometres inland. There is an abundance of habitat around the estuary for roosting but its value changes annually as farming practices change and crops are rotated. There is no evidence that the population of the SPA is limited by the availability of suitable roosting habitat outside it.
- 7.11 The land that will be converted to intertidal and estuarine habitat to compensate for the losses caused by the reclamation works on the south bank has been surveyed by Able and it is evident that it does currently provide roosting and feeding habitat for part of the assemblage. Once the farmland habitat is developed into intertidal and estuarine habitats those birds will need to roost on other farmland. The farmland that currently exists on the compensation site at Cherry Cobb Sands is typical of the farmland within Sunk Island and Able do not consider that any harm will be caused to the assemblage because of its loss and as a consequence do not believe the effect needs to be mitigated in any way. NE are still to advise if they consider the loss of farmland on Sunk Island to constitute significant disturbance to the SPA assemblage.

#### Complaints of failure to consult

- 7.12 Able received two complaints from companies that believed they should have been consulted but claimed not to have been. First, Humber Sea Terminal Ltd wrote on 26 May 2011 to make this assertion. Although after diligent inquiry Able had not found them to have a relevant interest in land requiring them to have been consulted, as a matter of courtesy Able did consult them, by sending two copies of the consultation pack addressed to Ian Errington and Hugh Gates respectively. It appears that these were not received.
- 7.13 Secondly, C.Gen Ltd wrote on 11 July 2011 to make the same assertion. In this case they had indeed not been included in the consultation, because after diligent inquiry Able had not found them to have any interest in land requiring them to have been consulted and

indeed still has not done so. Able did not consult them as it did with HST because HST is a nearby landowner, whereas C.Gen is not believed to be.

- 7.14 In September 2011, the IPC received complaints from ABP in its role as port operator and also in its role as harbour master of the Humber Conservancy, which it forwarded to Able, and in December 2011 the IPC received a complaint from the RSPB. The ABP port operator complaint was mainly concerned with the gaps in the PEIR. The legal definition of 'preliminary environmental information' is that it essentially consists of whatever has been produced for the environmental statement (the "ES") that is available at the time of the consultation. As such, the PEIR did have gaps in so far as the information had not yet been produced. Further, as a result of the consultation, additional assessments were identified by consultees, which have been included in the final ES. Consultation should take place at a sufficiently early stage so that changes can be incorporated, but not so early that the proposals are inchoate, which was the principle followed by Able in choosing the timing of its pre-application consultation.
- 7.15 The Humber Conservancy complaint was largely about lack of information and lack of engagement, while also detailing the history of interaction between Able and ABP and the considerable amount of information that Able had provided. The letter incorrectly stated that government guidance on pre-application comprises 'mandatory standards' when it does not. In any event, Able has complied with the guidance. The consultation information for technical consultees that is recommended in the guidance at paragraph 81 was provided to all section 42 consultees: indeed, paragraph 81 of the guidance is reproduced at paragraph 9 of the Consultation Document with an indication of where each item can be found in the document itself or in the PEIR.

## Provision of further information

7.16 Some of the section 42 consultees requested further information and to see drafts of the application documents for comment. Such a request goes beyond the requirements for pre-application consultation set out in the 2008 Act and associated regulations and guidance. However, Able has sought to comply with such requests where practicable, but this has not always been possible. To seek, await and take into account comments from consultees on a large number of its assessments and application documents would risk the consultation becoming excessively lengthy and must be balanced against other factors when deciding when Able should make its application. Able has indeed delayed its application date to allow significant further informal consultation to take place.

#### Calls for further formal consultation

- 7.17 Calls have also been made for Able to conduct a further round of consultation due to changes to the project since the formal pre-application consultation. Again Able believes that this would extend the consultation excessively for little advantage and has decided to make its application without a third round of consultation.
- 7.18 The main changes following the formal pre-application consultation stage were that more on-site environmental mitigation land has been provided (from within the red line boundary), more off-site environmental compensation land has been provided, and the quay frontage has been moved back (i.e. towards the shore and at the sides) by 80m, its length reducing to 1279m.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> CLG Guidance on pre-application consultation, September 2009

- 7.19 Figures 1 to 6 below demonstrate that the project on which consultation took place is similar in location, form and scale to the project that is the subject of the application. The first shows the proposed quay that is being applied for with a red dotted line to show its outline at the pre-application consultation stage. The second and third show the red line boundary that was the subject of the pre-application consultation and the application respectively. The additional land on the north bank is owned by Able and is not to be developed, it is temporary environmental compensation land to be provided until the permanent site is ready. The additional land extending from the main AMEP site to the north, west and south is railway, waste water and highway land respectively: this land was included in the verbal description of the project but only a simplified red line boundary was provided the project has not changed in those areas. The fourth and fifth figures show the indicative masterplan of the site at pre-application consultation and at the application stage, with figure 6 as a key for both.
- 7.20 Furthermore, based on the Environmental Impact Assessment work undertaken, no additional significant environmental impacts are predicted to be caused by the project as applied for, compared with the form in which it was consulted upon.

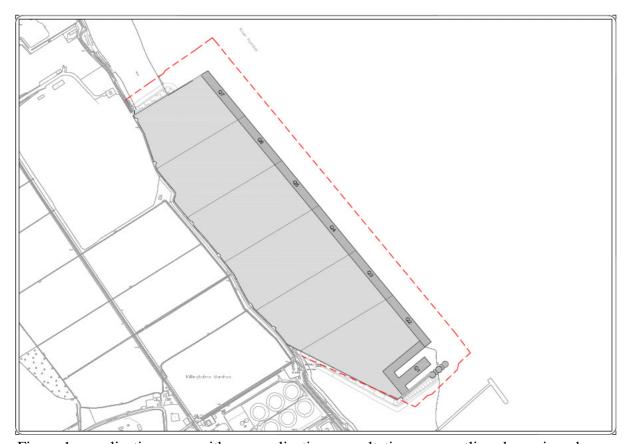


Figure 1 – application quay with pre-application consultation quay outline shown in red



Figure 2: pre-application consultation red line boundary

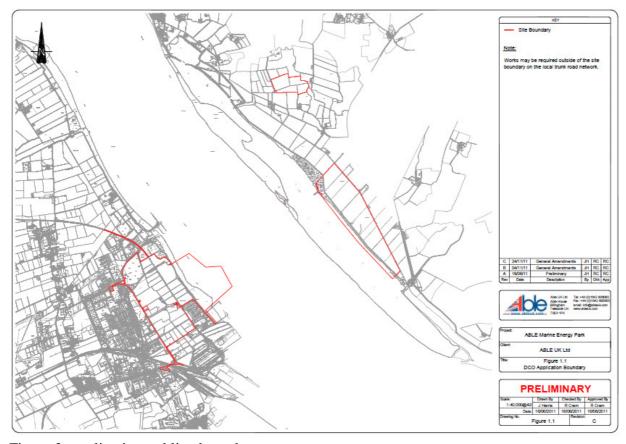


Figure 3: application red line boundary



Figure 4: indicative masterplan at pre-application consultation



Figure 5: indicative masterplan of application

KEY Limit of deviation for siting of building up to 45m high. Limit of deviation for siting of building up to 25m high. Limit of deviation for siting of building up to 15m high. 48 Space Car Park Stone Surfacing Landscaping Rock Revetment Existing Lighting Column (21-30m High) Proposed Lighting Column (50m High) Existing Cooling Water Intake Existing Cooling Water Outfall Existing Building Proposed Building Electric Substation HMRC Office Berthing Pocket Waste Recycling & Transfer Facility Able Approach Channel & Turning Area Proposed Pumping Station  $\Box$ 

Figure 6: key for figures 4 and 5

## **APPENDIX 1** Details of the Informal Consultation

## Part 1a Consultation materials issued

A copy of the 21-page Informal Pre-application Consultation document issued to the consultees can be found on the AMEP website at http://www.ablehumberport.com/pdfs/Able%20Marine%20Energy%20Park%20-%20Informal%20pre-application%20consultation%20document%208%20July%202010.pdf

# Part 1b List of consultees

This list includes all those who were sent the Informal Pre-application Consultation Document

Consultee	Responded (*)
2Co Energy Limited	•
Alkborough Parish Council	
Alstom	
Ambau	
Amcotts Parish Council	
AMEC Wind	
Anglian Water	
Anglian Water Services Ltd	
AONB	
Appleby Parish Council	
Arqiva Ltd	
Ashby Parkland Parish Council	
Associated British Ports	*
Barnetby le Wold Parish Council	
Barrow upon Humber Parish Council	
Barton Town Council	
Bassetlaw District Council	
BDB Law	
Belton Parish Council	
Bethany Jayne Ltd	
Bioethanol Ltd	
Bluestar Fibres Company Ltd	
Bonby Parish Council	
Brigg Town Council	*
British Pipeline Authority	*
British Telecommunication Plc	
British Waterways North East	
Brocklesby Parish Council	
Broughton Town Council	
Burringham Parish Council	
Burton upon Stather Parish Council	
Cable & Wireless	
Cadney-cum-Howsham Parish Council	
CE Electric UK	
Centrica Energy	*
Cobelfret (Humber Sea Terminal)	
Commission for Architecture & the Built Env.	
Commission for Rural Communities	
Commission for Sustainable Development	
Conoco Phillips	
Corus	
Costain Ltd	
Crowle Town Council	
CTOTAL TOWN COMMON	

Consultee	Responded (*)
Danbrit Holdings Ltd	*
DB Schenker Rail (UK) Ltd	
Department for Business, Innovation and Skills	
Department for Transport	
Department of Energy and Climate Change	
DFDS	
Disabled Person Transport Advisory Committee	
Doncaster Finningley Airport	
Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council	
Dong Energy	
DRAX Power Station	
East Anglia Offshore Wind Ltd	
East Butterwick Parish Council	
East Halton Parish Council	
East Midlands & Humberside Airport	
East Midlands Development Agency	
East Midlands Trains	
East Riding of Yorkshire Council	*
Eastoft Parish Council	
Elsham Parish Council	
English Heritage (Yorkshire Region)	*
Environment Agency	*
Eon UK Plc	*
Equality and Human Rights Commission	*
ESB International	
First Transpennine Express	
Flixborough Parish Council	
Forestry Commission England Sherwood and Lincs.	
Forest District	
Forewind	
Forward Planning Unit	
Fred.Olsen Windcarrier	
Freight Transport Association Northern Region	
Freightliner	
Gamesa	
Garthorpe & Fockerby Parish Council	
GBA Group of Companies	
GE	
Gerald Eve	
Government Office for Yorkshire & Humber	*
Goxhill Parish Council	
Gunness Parish Council	
GVA Grimley	
Habrough Parish Council	
Haxey Parish Council	
Health & Safety Executive	
Hibaldstow Parish Council	
THOMASSON I WHOM COUNTY	

Consultee	Responded (*)
Historic Buildings & Monuments Commission	•
Hochtief Construction AG	
Holme Parish Meeting	
Homes & Communities Agency	
Horkstow Parish Meeting	
Hornsby Travel Services Ltd	
Hull & Goole Port Health Authority	*
Hull & Humber Chamber of Commerce	
Humber & Wolds Rural Community Council	*
Humber Economic Partnership Ltd	
Humber Gateway Delivery Group	
Humber INCA	
Humberside Fire & Rescue Service	
Integrated Transport Auth. & Passenger Transport	
Isle of Axholme Internal Drainage Board	
Keadby with Althorpe Parish Council	
Kirmington & Croxton Parish Council	
Lighthouse Community	
Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust	*
Local Government Yorkshire & Humber	
Luddington & Haldenby Parish Council	
Mainstream Renewable Power	
Manton Parish Meeting	
Melton Ross Parish Council	
Member of European Parliament for Yorkshire &	
Humber	
Member of Parliament Beverley and Holderness	
Member of Parliament Brigg and Goole	
Member of Parliament Cleethorpes	
Member of Parliament Great Grimsby	
Member of Parliament Home Secretary	
Member of Parliament Kingston upon Hull (East)	
Member of Parliament Kingston upon Hull (North)	
Member of Parliament Kingston upon Hull (West	
and Hessle)	
Member of Parliament Scunthorpe	
Member of Parliament Secretary of State for	
Communities and Local Government	
Messingham Parish Council	
Ministry Of Defence Estates	
Mrs C Harper	*
National Grid Gas PLC	
Natural England	*
NELDB Internal Drainage Board	
Network Rail	
New Holland Parish Council	
NHS North Lincolnshire	
NOF Energy	
THOT DINGS	

Consultee	Responded (*)
North Killingholme Parish Council	•
Northern Lincolnshire & Goole Hospitals NHS	
Trust	
Northern Rail	
Nottinghamshire Police Authority	
Office of Gas & Electricity Markets	
Owston Ferry Parish Council	
Passenger Focus	
PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP	
Redbourne Parish Council	
Relevant Local Resilience Forum	
RMS	
Road Haulage Association (Southern and Eastern)	
Roxby cum Risby Parish Council	
Royal Society of the Protection of Birds	*
RWE Npower Renewables Ltd	
Savills	
Saxby All Saints Parish Council	
Scawby Parish Council	
Scottish & Southern Energy PLC	
SeaGreen Wind Energy	
Severn Trent Water Ltd	
Shire Group of Internal Drainage Boards	
Siemens	
Siemens Project Ventures	
Siemens Wind Power A/S	
Simon Ports	
Skykon	
SmartWind	
South Ferriby Parish Council	
South Killingholme Parish Council	
South Yorkshire Police Authority	
Sport England	
SSE Renewables	
Stagecoach in Lincolnshire (Lincolnshire Road Car	
Ltd)	
Svitzer	
The British Wind Energy Association	
The Coal Authority	
The Crown Estate	
The Crown Estate Commissioners	
Thornton Curtis Parish Council	
TOTAL Lindsey Oil Refinery	
Trinity House	
UK Renewables Ltd.	
Ulceby Parish Council	
Vestas	
VVM Cement	

Consultee	Responded (*)
Water Services Regulation Authority	
West Butterwick Parish Council	
West Halton & Coleby Parish Council	
Whitton Parish Meeting	
Winteringham Parish Council	
Winterton Town Council	
Wootton Parish Council	
Worlaby Parish Council	
Wrawby Parish Council	
Wroot Parish Council	
Xanthus Energy	
YEDL/NEDL	
Yorkshire and The Humber Strategic Health	
Authority	
Yorkshire Forward	*
Yorkshire Tourist Board	
Yorkshire Water Plc.	

## Part 1c Responses received and account taken

19 responses were received, from those shown with an asterisk in Appendix 1b.

The full set of responses (113 pages) can be obtained on request from Able.

The principal changes to the project that were made as a result were:

- the proposed biomass plant was dropped
- the dredging level was raised from -15m to -11m
- the proposed helipad was dropped
- the proposed quay length was shortened from 1600m to 1320m

Other responses resulted in additional assessments being prepared for the preliminary environmental information report and subsequent environmental statement.

#### **APPENDIX 2** Details of the section 42 consultation

#### Part 2a Consultation materials issued

Consultees were issued with a covering letter, the Consultation Document and a copy of the PEIR, the latter being on CD-ROM.

The Consultation Document (18 pages) can be found on the AMEP website at:

http://www.amep.co.uk/downloads/Consultation%20document%20-%20final.DOC

The Consultation Document contains a copy of the notice published under section 48 of the 2008 Act, to comply with regulation 11 of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009.

The PEIR (5 volumes) can be found on the AMEP website at:

http://www.amep.co.uk/peir.php

The covering letter is reproduced below

[Name/Title] [Organisation] [Address] 12 December 2011	0800 046 7320

Dear [Salutation]

Able UK Ltd ("Able")

Proposed Application for a Development Consent Order for a quay at Killingholme, North Lincolnshire

Planning Act 2008 ("the Act")

The Infrastructure Planning (Applications: Prescribed Forms and Procedure) Regulations 2009 ("the APFP Regulations")

The Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulation 2009 ("the EIA Regulations")

As you may already be aware from notices in the local and national press, Able is proposing to construct and operate a quay and associated wind turbine manufacturing facilities at Killingholme in North Lincolnshire on the South Humber Bank, which will also involve the creation of a compensatory habitat on the North Humber Bank in the East Riding of Yorkshire.

Accordingly, Able is proposing to make an application under section 37 of the Act to the Infrastructure Planning Commission ("IPC") for a Development Consent Order ("DCO") to authorise the project.

Under section 42 of the Act, and regulation 3 of and Schedule 1 to the APFP Regulations, Able is required to undertake consultation with a prescribed list of bodies, with host and neighbouring local authorities, and with those who have an interest in the land affected by the application. Able is also including in this process certain key stakeholders who are not prescribed as statutory consultees, which it would also like to participate in the consultation process.

The proposed works will require an environmental impact assessment ("EIA") and so constitute "EIA development" for the purposes of the EIA Regulations. This imposes additional consultation requirements. Firstly, regulation 11 of the EIA Regulations requires Able to send to consultees a copy of the notice publicising the proposed application (that notice being a requirement of section 48 of the Act and regulation 4 of the APFP Regulations). Secondly, regulation 10 of the EIA regulations requires that Able must consult on "preliminary environmental information" about the proposed works.

Therefore in accordance with the requirements of the above process, Able is writing to consult on the proposed application. We enclose with this letter:

- a consultation document; and
- a CD containing the "preliminary environmental information", consisting of a Preliminary Environmental Information Report and associated annexes.

Appended as Annex C of the consultation document is a copy of the notice published in accordance with the requirements of section 48 of the Act and regulation 4 of the APFP Regulations, appearing in *The Times, London Gazette, Hull Daily Mail, Grimsby Telegraph, Scunthorpe Telegraph, Holderness Gazette* and *Lloyd's List* on 27 January 2011, the *Fishing News* on 28 January 2011, and again in the *Hull Daily Mail, Grimsby Telegraph, Scunthorpe Telegraph* and *Holderness Gazette* on 3 February 2011.

The documents are also available to view and download at www.amep.co.uk.

Your comments on the proposed project are invited. These should be made in writing to Marine Energy Park Consultation Team, Able House, Billingham Reach Industrial Estate, Billingham, TS23 1PX or by email to <a href="mailto:info@amep.co.uk">info@amep.co.uk</a>.

The deadline for receipt by Able of any response to the consultation is **Saturday 19 March 2011**. Able requests that responses state the grounds of the representation, indicate who is making it, and provide an address to which any correspondence relating to the representation may be sent. Please note that responses will be made public.

Please contact Able at the postal or email addresses above, or on the telephone number listed on the front of this letter if any of the documentation is not included with this letter, if you otherwise have any difficulties accessing it, or if you have any queries.

Yours faithfully

## Part 2b List of consultees

Numbers in brackets indicate that more than one consultation pack was sent to the consultee at different addresses / contact names.

Table 2b1 - Statutory consultees - named bodies (s42(a) and (aa))

Consultee	Responded (*)
Anglian Water	*
Associated British Ports (2)	**
BRB Residuary Ltd	
British Gas Pipelines Ltd	
British Waterways North East	
Brocklesby Parish Meeting	
Central Networks East plc	*
Civil Aviation Authority	
Coal Authority	*
Commission for Architecture & the Built Environment	
Commission for Rural Communities	
Crown Estate (2)	*
Disabled Person Transport Advisory Committee	*
East Halton Parish Council	
ECG (Distribution) Ltd	
EDF Energy (DNO) Ltd	
Electricity Network Company Ltd	
Energetics Electricity Ltd	
Energetics Gas Ltd	
English Heritage (Yorkshire Region)	*
Environment Agency (2)	*
Eon UK Plc (2)	
Equality & Human Rights Commission	
ES Pipelines Ltd	
Forestry Commission England Sherwood and Lincs.	
Forest District	
Fulcrum Pipelines Limited	*
Gas Transportation Company Ltd	
GTC Pipelines Ltd	*
Habrough Parish Council	
Health & Safety Executive	
Health Protection Agency - Yorkshire & Humber	
Hedon Town Council	*
Highways Agency (2)	*
Homes & Communities Agency	*
Humber Emergency Planning Service	
Humber NHS Foundation Trust	
Humberside Fire & Rescue Service	
Humberside Local Resilience Forum	*
Humberside Police (2)	
Immingham Town Council	
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Consultee	Responded (*)
Independent Pipelines Ltd	• '
Independent Power Networks Ltd	
Infrastructure Planning Commission	
Intoto Utilities Ltd	
Joint Nature Conservation Committee	*
Keyingham Parish Council	
Local Government Yorkshire & Humber	
Marine Management Organisation	*
Maritime & Coastguard Agency	*
National Grid Electricity Transmission plc	*
National Grid Gas PLC	
NATS En Route PLC	
Natural England (2)	*
NELDB Internal Drainage Board	
Network Rail (3)	*
Network Rail (CTRL) Ltd	
NHS East Riding of Yorkshire	
NHS Hull	
NHS North Lincolnshire	
NHS Yorkshire and the Humber	
North Killingholme Parish Council	
Northern Gas Networks Ltd	*
Northern Lincolnshire & Goole Hospitals NHS Trust	
Office of Gas & Electricity Markets	
Office of Rail Regulation	*
Ottringham Parish Council	
Passenger Focus	
Patrington Parish Council	
Paull Parish Council	*
Preston Parish Council	
Preston, Thorngumbald and Keyingham Level IDBs	*
Quadrant Pipelines Ltd	
Rotherham, Doncaster and South Humber Mental Health	
NHS Foundation Trust	
Royal Mail Group	
Scotland Gas Networks PLC	
Scottish & Southern Energy PLC	
Simon Ports (2)	
South Killingholme Parish Council	
South Yorkshire ITA / PTA	
Southern Gas Networks PLC	
SP Gas Limited	, to
Sunk Island Parish Council	*
Sustainable development commission	
Thorngumbald Parish Council	
Trinity House	*
Ulceby Parish Council	
Utility Grid Installations Ltd	

Consultee	Responded (*)
Wales and West Utilities Ltd	
Water Services Regulation Authority	
Welwick Parish Council	
YEDL/NEDL	
Yorkshire Ambulance Service NHS Trust	
Yorkshire Forward (3)	
Yorkshire Water Plc.	*

 $Table\ 2b2\ -\ Statutory\ consultees\ -\ local\ authorities\ (s42(b))$ 

Consultee	Responded (*)
Bassetlaw District Council	
Broads Authority	*
City of York Council	
Doncaster Metropolitan Borough Council	
East Riding of Yorkshire Council (4)	*
Kingston Upon Hull City Council (2)	*
Lincolnshire County Council	
North East Lincolnshire Council (2)	
North Lincolnshire Council (4)	*
North Yorkshire County Council	
Nottinghamshire County Council	*
Ryedale District Council	
Scarborough Borough Council	
Selby District Council	
West Lindsey District Council	

Table 2b3 - Statutory consultees - landowners (s42(d))

Consultee	Responded (*)
A R Dinsdale	
Alliance & Leicester plc	
Atlantic Power	
Bank of Scotland plc	
Benton Bros (Transport) Limited	
Bethany Jayne Limited	
C.R.L. Transport (Lincs) Limited	
Centrica Energy	*
C Davies	
Crown Estate	*
D O Chapman	
D Revill	
D Hartogh	
E Milner	
GB Agencies Limited	
G Harper	
Immingham CHP LLP	

Consultee	Responded (*)
J Milner	
Krone UK	
L Savill	
Ministry Of Defence Estates	*
A P Leake	*
R A Robinson	
S J Kirkwood	*
P D Smith	
R A, M & R P Wilkins	
Reeve Bros (Farmers) Limited	
S & W M Taylor	*
SSB Contracts	
T Newall	
Truck Links Limited	
Unipen	
W.A Fussey	_
Yorkshire Electricity Group plc	

Table 2b4 - Non-statutory consultees also consulted – by post

Consultee	Responded (*)
AMEC Wind	
Bottesford Town Council	
British Telecommunication Plc	
Burringham Parish Council	
Cable & Wireless	
Cadney-cum-Howsham Parish Council	
Cobelfret (Humber Sea Terminal)	
East Butterwick Parish Council	
Flixborough Parish Council	
Freightliner	
Gunness Parish Council	
Horkstow Parish Meeting	
Keadby with Althorpe Parish Council	
Kirmington & Croxton Parish Council	
Luddington & Haldenby Parish Council	
Manton Parish Meeting	
Melton Ross Parish Council	
Owston Ferry Parish Council	
Roxby cum Risby Parish Council	
Saxby All Saints Parish Council	
The National Trust	
West Halton & Coleby Parish Council	
Whitton Parish Meeting	
Wroot Parish Council	

Table 2b5 - Non-statutory consultees also consulted – by email

Consultee	Responded (*)
2Co Energy Limited	( )
Alkborough Parish Council	
Alstom	
Ambau	
Amcotts Parish Council	
Appleby Parish Council	
Arqiva Ltd	
Ashby Parkland Parish Council	
Barnetby le Wold Parish Council	
Barrow upon Humber Parish Council	*
Barton Town Council	
Belton Parish Council	
Bethany Jayne Ltd	
Bioethanol Ltd	
Bluestar Fibres Company Ltd	
Bonby Parish Council	
Brigg Town Council	
British Pipeline Agency	
Broughton Town Council	
Burton upon Stather Parish Council	
BVG Associates Ltd	
CE Electric UK	
Conoco Phillips	*
Corus	
CPRE Northern Lincolnshire	
Crowle Town Council	
DB Schenker Rail (UK) Ltd	
Department for Business, Innovation and Skills	
Department for Transport	
Department of Energy and Climate Change	
DFDS	
Doncaster Finningley Airport	
DRAX Power Station	
East Anglia Offshore Wind Ltd	
East Midlands & Humberside Airport	*
Eastoft Parish Council	
Elsham Parish Council	
Epworth Town Council	
ESB International	
Fred.Olsen Windcarrier	
Gamesa	
Garthorpe & Fockerby Parish Council	
GBA Group of Companies	
GE	
Gerald Eve	
Government Office for Yorkshire & Humber	

Consultee	Responded (*)
Goxhill Parish Council	
GVA Grimley	
Haxey Parish Council	
Hibaldstow Parish Council	
Historic Buildings & Monuments Commission	
Hochtief Construction AG	
Holme Parish Meeting	
Hornsby Travel Services Ltd	
Hull & Goole Port Health Authority	
Hull & Humber Chamber of Commerce	*
Humber & Wolds Rural Community Council	
Humber Economic Partnership Ltd	
Humber Gateway Delivery Group	
Humber INCA	
Isle of Axholme Internal Drainage Board	
Kirton in Lindsey Town Council	
Lighthouse Community	
Lincolnshire Police Authority	
Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust	*
Lindsay Marsh Drainage Board	
Mainstream Renewable Power	
Marine & Fisheries Agency	
Member of European Parliament for Yorkshire &	
Humber x 6	
Member of Parliament Beverley and Holderness	
Member of Parliament Brigg and Goole	
Member of Parliament Cleethorpes	
Member of Parliament Great Grimsby	
Member of Parliament Home Secretary	
Member of Parliament Kingston upon Hull (East)	
Member of Parliament Kingston upon Hull (North)	
Member of Parliament Kingston upon Hull (West and	
Hessle)	
Member of Parliament Scunthorpe	*
Member of Parliament Secretary of State for	
Communities and Local Government	
Messingham Parish Council	
NAAONB	*
New Holland Parish Council	
NOF Energy	
Nottinghamshire Police Authority	
PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP	
Redbourne Parish Council	
Renewable UK	
RMS	*
	*
Road Haulage Association (Southern and Eastern)	*
Royal Society of the Protection of Birds	*
Royal Society of the Protection of Birds	<u> </u>

Consultee	Responded (*)
RWE Npower Renewables Ltd	*
Savills	
Scawby Parish Council	
Severn Trent Water Ltd	
Shire Group of Internal Drainage Boards	
Siemens Wind Power A/S	
Skykon	
SmartWind	*
South Ferriby Parish Council	
South Yorkshire Police Authority	
SSE Renewables	
Stagecoach in Lincolnshire (Lincolnshire Road Car Ltd)	
Svitzer	
Thornton Curtis Parish Council	
Total Lindsey Oil Refinery	
UK Renewables Ltd.	
United Utilities Property Solutions	
Vestas	
VVM Cement	
West Butterwick Parish Council	
Winteringham Parish Council	
Winterton Town Council	
Wootton Parish Council	
Worlaby Parish Council	
Wrawby Parish Council	
Yorkshire Tourist Board	

### Part 2c Responses received and account taken

The Table below sets out the responses received and what account of them was taken by Able. Many of the comments received were detailed responses to the PEIR. In Annex 2.4 of the ES there is a table giving full details of how each response was addressed – the issues are therefore only summarised in this table.

Full copies of all the responses (258 pages) can be obtained on request from Able.

The main changes made to the project were:

- the quay size was further reduced by 80m
- 48.5 ha of land on the south bank has been set aside for environmental mitigation
- additional temporary compensation land on the north bank has been identified
- a commitment has been given to light tall structures during construction and operation
- additional environmental assessment has taken place

Respondent	Summary of response	Changes made to	Yes – what No - why
		project?	110 - Why
Anglian Water	Consent of Anglian Water will be needed for any development affecting water mains on site; upgrade to South Killingholme Sewage Treatment Works (STW) will be required, or an alternative to this	No	The STW is already included as land under temporary occupation to allow upgrade works to take place
Associated British Ports (Grimsby and Humber)	Scale of project is unrealistic; compensation site may not be feasible and should be a likefor-like replacement; meeting minutes should be appended to ES;	No	The scale of the project is necessary and will be justified in the application documents; Natural England has agreed the quantum and type of habitat to be compensated.
Associated British Ports (harbour master)	Dredging strategy will need to show sufficient capacity at deposit sites and relationship between new and existing dredged areas	No	The dredge disposal sites have been agreed with the MMO, refer to the <i>Annex 7.6</i> of the ES.
Barrow upon Humber Parish Council	Support for the project	No	n/a
British Pipeline Authority	No comment	No	n/a
Broads Authority	No comment	No	n/a
Central Networks East	No comment	No	n/a
Centrica	The northern end of the quay	Yes	The quay length has

Respondent	Summary of response	Changes made to	Yes – what
		project?	No - why
	may interfere with Centrica's cooling water inflow for its power station; may be an increase in flooding risk		been reduced to mitigate this impact; flood risk is assessed in the ES (chapter 13 – drainage and flood risk)
Coal Authority	Area for site has an underground coal gasification licence; response to informal consultation noted	No	The project will not impact on any proposals for underground gasification
ConocoPhillips	Concerned about surface drainage, flood risk and impact on neighbouring jetties; highway and rail access to oil refinery	Yes	Quay length has been reduced to mitigate impact on neighbouring infrastructure; drainage improvements will be undertaken.
Crown Estate	Extent of land ownership noted	No	Information only
DPTAC	No comment	No	n/a
East Midlands and Humberside Airport	Concerned about on-site waste and any other feeding opportunities attracting birds	No	There is no waste dumping proposed at the site and there will be a loss of bird habitat, to be compensated by a new site further from the airport
East Riding of Yorkshire Council	Request that compensation site include public access	Yes	Access will be provided through designated walks and hides where disturbance to birds will be limited
English Heritage	Detailed comments on Preliminary Environmental Information Report chapter 18 (marine and terrestrial archaeology) and Annexes 18.1 and 18.2; two comments on chapter 20 (landscape and visual)	Yes	Additional impacts and alternative mitigation requested for chapter 18 of the Environmental Assessment have been added; reference to North Lincolnshire heritage policies added to chapter 20
Environment Agency	Effects on sewage and trade effluent flows should be included in ES; plus the impact on drainage; hydromorphology and water quality; detailed comments on chapters 9 (water	Yes	The comments have been used to inform chapters 9, 11 and 13 of the ES

Respondent	Summary of response	Changes	Yes – what
Respondent	summary of response	made to	1 cs what
		project?	No - why
	and sedimentary quality), 11		
	(terrestrial ecology and birds)		
	and 13 (drainage and flood		
	risk) of the PEIR		
Fulcrum	Please contact at start of	Yes	Will be notified at start
pipelines	construction		of construction
GTC	No comment	No	n/a
Hedon Town	Concerns about air quality and	No	The choice of the
Council	loss of land for compensation		compensation site is
	site		justified and this is
			explained in the ES and
TT' 1	A160 1 111 ' 1 1 1 ' E0	37	Statement of Reasons
Highways	A160 should be included in ES	Yes	ES (chapter 15)
Agency	as sensitive link with a 10%		amended to include
	threshold; Travel Plan should be updated when traffic		A160 threshold; Travel
	be updated when traffic information agreed		Plan has been updated
Homes and	No objections in principle;	No	n/a
Communities	employment opportunities	140	11/α
Agency	should be included in local		
rigency	authority's local investment		
	plan		
Hull & Humber	Support for proposals	No	n/a
Chamber of			
Commerce			
Hull City	(Late submission)	No	Choice of sites is
Council	Employment opportunities		justified in the Habitats
	welcomed; not satisfied over		Regulations report, the
	choice of main site or		ES and the Statement of
	compensation site		Reasons
Humberside	No comment	No	n/a
Local Resilience			
Forum Joint Nature	No comment	No	n/a
Conservation	No comment	NO	11/a
Committee			
Lincolnshire	Concerns at effects on Humber	Yes	A large area of on-site
Wildlife Trust	Estuary SAC, SPA, Ramsar		mitigation land being
	and SSSI, and Killingholme		set aside on south bank;
	Pits SSSI, and loss of adjacent		corrections to ES
	land and Station Road Field		carried out
	Local Wildlife Site. Some		
	corrections to ES suggested.		
Marine	ES should reflect changes to	Yes	Draft development
Management	licensing arising from the		consent order contains
Organisation	Marine and Coastal Access		a deemed marine

Respondent	Summary of response	Changes made to	Yes – what
	Act 2009; dredging and effect on fisheries should be assessed further.	project?	licence; an additional soil survey has been undertaken and the assessment of the impact on commercial fisheries has been augmented in the ES
Maritime & Coastguard Agency	Port Marine Safety Code should be used; restrictions on visibility of navigation aids should be considered; local harbour authority should be consulted	Yes	Navigation risk assessment carried out to MCA's satisfaction
Ministry of Defence	Concerned about effect of development on operation of neighbouring MOD site	Yes	Navigation risk assessment undertaken and additional sediment transport work undertaken
Mr Leake and Mr Kirkland	Objection to choice and suitability of Cherry Cobb Sands as compensation site and amount of land being taken, and consequent loss of agricultural land and farming income	No	Able has taken advice from Natural England on the location and extent of the site, although Able will only take the minimum land necessary to satisfy the Regulator.
National Grid	An electric line and single pylon crosses the site – please assess the impact of this and use appropriate clearance distances	Yes	Buildings have been sited appropriately
Natural England	Detailed response, mainly dealing with Habitats Regulations assessment, the impact on the North Killingholme Haven Pits SSSI, and chapters 9 (water and sedimentary quality), 11 (terrestrial ecology and birds), 16 (noise) of the PEIR – see these chapters of the ES for full details of the points raised and the responses to them	Yes	A large area of on-site mitigation now being provided; mitigation provided in a location to fit in with the South Humber Gateway as a whole; temporary compensation land on the north bank is additionally being provided
Network Rail	Confirmed comments in response to scoping opinion consultation still stand;	Yes	Protective provisions are being negotiated for inclusion in the

Respondent	Summary of response	Changes	Yes – what
		made to project?	No - why
	concerned that railway infrastructure will not be compromised; drainage will be adequate; performance at Immingham Docks should not be compromised; all buildings should be at least 2m from railway boundary; access for maintenance should be retained; lighting must not dazzle drivers; grounding at level crossings should be assessed; agreement in principle to sell railway land to Able		development consent order
Nic Dakin MP	Support for proposals; will require ongoing dialogue with RSPB and Natural England; employment and training opportunities should be made available	No	Dialogue has taken place with RSPB and NE
North Lincolnshire Council	Concerned about: background noise assessment; choice of compensation site on north bank rather than south; lack of a 'green corridor'; further ecological surveys being needed	Yes	Background noise assessment changed as a result of discussions; 48.5 ha onsite environmental mitigation area now being included; additional surveys carried out for ES
Northern Gas Networks	No comment	No	n/a
Nottinghamshire County Council Office of Rail Regulation	No direct impact expected, but concerns about road traffic  No material effect on existing network; comment about private level crossing standards and that Network Rail should be consulted	No No	Traffic impacts assessed in the ES  Network Rail has already been consulted
RAF Search and Rescue	Tall structures should be lit	Yes	Tall structures will be lit subject to a hazard assessment
RMS Group Holdings Ltd	Support for the project	No	n/a
Road Haulage Association	Difficult to assess effects on roads network	Yes	Assumptions for HGV deliveries added to

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Respondent	Summary of response	Changes	Yes – what
		made to project?	No - why
			chapter 15 of the ES (traffic and transport)
Royal Air Force	Towers should be lit	Yes	Commitment to light all tall structures subject to a hazard assessment
RSPB	42-page response mainly concentrating on Habitats Regulations assessment and chapter 11 of the PEIR (terrestrial ecology and birds) – see that chapter of the ES for full details of the points raised and the responses to them	Yes	A large area of on-site mitigation now being provided; amendments made to chapter 11 of the ES to include e.g. further bird species and impacts
RWE Npower Renewables	Support for the project; note of proposed Triton Knoll offshore windfarm	No	n/a
Simon Taylor	Concerns over compensation site, in particular the need for it at all, its size and location	Yes	Land take will be minimum to compensate for loss of habitat on the south bank. The compensation site has been moved further away from his property
Smart Wind	Investment in port infrastructure is needed	No	n/a
Sunk Island Parish Council	Opposed to compensation site on north bank – south bank land should be used	No	No, although the minimum land is being taken to satisfy environmental requirements and the site selection process is detailed in the ES
Trinity House	Additional aids to navigation will need to be discussed with harbour authority	No	Navigation risk assessment has been undertaken
Yorkshire Water	No comment	No	n/a

### **APPENDIX 3** Details of the section 47 consultation

### Part 3a Consultation materials issued

The consultation materials used as part of the section 47 consultation are exhibited below.

- Figure 3a1 Response to consultation on SoCC from East Riding of Yorkshire Council
- Figure 3a2 Response to consultation on SoCC from North Lincolnshire Council
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- Figure 3a10 Photograph of exhibition set-up
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- Figure 3a13 Grimsby Telegraph article 14 February 2011
- Figure 3a14 Grimsby Telegraph article 25 February 2011
- Figure 3a15 Hull Daily Mail article 16 February 2011

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Figure 3a1 – Response to Consultation on SoCC from East Riding of Yorkshire Council

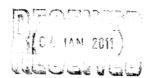


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Ms | Dawes Environmental Technician Marine Energy Park Consultation Team Able House Billingham Reach Industrial Estate Billingham TS23 1PX

22 December 2010



Contact:

Mr S Robson Direct Line: 01482 393742

E-mail: shaun.robson@eastriding.gov.uk

Dear Madam.

Consultation on the Draft Statement of Community Consultation (SOCC) for the proposed Able Marine Energy Park (AMEP), near North Killingholme, North Lincolnshire

I write further to the submission of the Statement of Community Consultation (SOCC) in relation to the above scheme and the compensatory area of land at Cherry Cob Sands within the East Riding of Yorkshire's administrative boundary.

The indication/commitment, on the behalf of Able UK, within the SOOC is that: -

- · A commitment to consult with and consider comments raised by local residents prior to the application to the IPC for development consent.
- · Advice on where to go for information on the proposal, which involves -
  - Briefings:- to be arranged with key individuals and groups;
  - Public Exhibitions:- to be arranged at appropriate locations in the area;
  - Stakeholder meetings:- to be arranged as the consultation process develops where key stakeholders emerge;
  - Direct consultation with businesses/landowners/individuals and special interest groups within and adjacent to the area of the proposed development;
  - Advertising using the local print media, newsletters and leafleting;
  - Literature will be made available that summarises the proposals, the planning process and consultation process;
  - Website: established specifically for the project that will also include a feedback
  - A hotline telephone for people to register any questions or concerns they may have about the project will be established.





Alan Menzies Director of Planning and Economic Regeneration

Providing the above commitments are adhered to and the comments made by Ward Members and the Portfolio holder, which have already been forwarded to you and are attached below, are clarified within the statement the Council has no further comments to make.

 The level of flood protection for communities on the North Bank should not be compromised due to the development.

The residents and community of Cherry Cob Sands should receive adequate notification and be involved with the application.

 Is there to be a compensation for the farmers/owners of land that is to be affected in the area?

Yours sincerely

Mr Shaun Robson

Principal Development Control Officer

(Mineral and Waste)

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Figure 3a2 – Response to consultation on SoCC from North Lincolnshire Council



Dear All,

Thank you for sending through the Able UK Ltd Statement of Community Consultation (SOCC) for the proposed Able Marine Energy Park for consultation with North Lincolnshire Council as the local authority.

Generally the council welcomes the approach taken in the SOCC but would like to request that the following additions be considered:

- In the section headed 'Proposed Development' it would be helpful to add an additional paragraph providing a bit more detail on the project, referring to the positive benefits to North Lincolnshire that would result from the development. Currently it could be construed as slightly negative.
- In the section headed 'Planning Process' could a short paragraph be added that looks at the consultation timetable. Also could a succinct paragraph be added that identifies the IPC's role as examining authority. Perhaps something like "Able UK Ltd will apply to the Infrastructure Planning Commission (IPC), established under the Planning Act 2008, for consent to develop the Able Marine Energy Park. The IPC's decision must be made in accordance with national policy but will take account of the local impact of a proposal. Before the IPC will accept an application, it must be satisfied that Able UK has conducted effective preapplication consultation. The pre-application consultation will also be important in relation to the examination process after the application has been accepted by the IPC."
- Might be useful to include a paragraph that identifies that this scheme is different to the recent application determined by North Lincolnshire council to avoid confusion.
- In the 'Community Consultation' section there needs to be a reference to an article in local newspapers as set out in s47(6)(a). Also the council has a magazine that goes to all households (Direct). It would be useful to consider using this method and identifying it in this section.
- There is a spelling mistake in the section headed 'Leafleting/Newsletters'. Should say 'paid' and not 'pain'.

If you require clarification on any of the above points please feel free to contact me.

Kind regards

[redacted]
Spatial Planning Manager
Spatial Planning
Strategic Regeneration, Housing and Development
North Lincolnshire Council

Tel: [redacted]

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Figure 3a3 - Statement of Community Consultation



### Able Marine Energy Park, Killingholme Statement Of Community Consultation

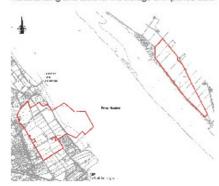
### INTRODUCTION

This Statement of Community Consultation (SOCC) sets out how you can comment on proposals for an application by Able UK Ltd (Able) to develop the Able Marine Energy Park (AMEP) at North Killingholme, on the south bank of the River Humber, north of Immingham.

There are ambitious plans to take greater advantage of the UK's potential for generation of energy from wind. It is essential that these plans are delivered for us to meet our renewable energy targets and reduce our carbon emissions. There are a number of offshore windfarms planned for the North Sea. As well as providing a significant investment in the local, regional and national economies, and many new jobs, this project is intended to support the delivery of those important renewable energy projects

### PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

Able UK Ltd is proposing to develop a Marine Energy Park for the manufacture and transportation of offshore wind turbines. The site is surrounded on three sides by industrial development and on the fourth by the Humber Estuary. Killingholme Pits SSSI is located between the site and the Humber Sea Terminal at the northern boundary; Burkinshaw's Covert woodland lies between the site and Lindsey Oil Refinery to the west. A large proportion of the onshore site is currently hardstanding and used for the storage of imported cas.



The project will involve the construction of a new quay (approximately 1320m long) together with associated onshore facilities to accommodate wind turbine manufacture, assembly and commissioning as well as the associated supply chains.

The project will involve the reclamation of up to 55ha of the Humber Estuary and the development of approximately 245ha of land on shore. Some dredging will be required in the Estuary in front of the quay and for an approach channel. The maximum depth will be immediately in front of the quay at 11 metres below lowest astronomical tide.

The impacts of the proposed development on the intridial zone mean that Able UK intends to develop a site on the north bank of the Humber as compensatory intertidal habitat. The site, at Cherry Cobb Sands, East Riding of Yorkshire, is currently in agricultural use, and lies between the estuary and Cherry Cobb Sands Road. It is proposed to amend existing site levels, construct a new flood defence wall along the landward side, and breach the existing flood defence wall to allow the estuary to reclaim the land and develop it into mudflat.

It is estimated that the development will create up to 5,000 permanent onsite jobs and attract investment into the local economy. On the other hand, the project may have local impacts such as noise, visual, and traffic. Able UK will seek to reduce these as far as practicable.

### PLANNING PROCESS

Able will submit an application to the Infrastructure Planning Commission (IPC) for consent to develop the Marine Energy Park. Further details about the IPC and its responsibilities can be found at http://infrastructure.independent.gov.uk. Decision-making is expected to transfer to the government in 2012, but the application process will be largely unchanged.

The project will be subject to Environmental Impact Assessment and therefore an Environmental Statement will be submitted with the application setting out the expected environmental impacts and how Able proposes to mitigate them. Additionally, an appropriate assessment of the effect of the project on European protected sites in the area will be undertaken.

The IPC's decision must be made in accordance with national policy but will take account of the local impact of a proposal. National Policy Statements on ports and energy currently exist in draft. Before the IPC will accept an application, it must be satisfied that Able UK has conducted effective pre-application consultation. The pre-application consultation will also be important in relation to the examination process after the application has been accepted by the IPC.

### COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

Consultation with people living in the vicinity of the proposed development site is an important part of any nationally significant project and will help to deliver a better development. We will consult using the following methods:

- Local Council Meetings We will offer to undertake presentations and Q&A sessions at meetings of East Halton, North Killingholme, South Killingholme and Keyingham parish councils as well as North Lincolnshire Council and East Riding of Yorkshire Council. These will be advertised by the Council and also on the project's website.
- Exhibition/Drop-insessions-Membersofthepublicaan view plans and details of the proposed development as well as make comments and talk to representatives of the project team, at the following sessions:

LOCATION	DATE & TIME
EAST HALTON	Tues 8th February 2011
The Village Hall, Townside	2pm - 9pm
NORTH KILLINGHOLME	Wed 9th February 2011
The Village Hall, Church Lane	10am – 6pm
IMMINGHAM	Sat 12th February 2011 9am – 2pm
Immingham Civic Centre	Tues 22nd February 2011 4pm - 9pm
SOUTH KILLINGHOLME	Wed 23rd February 2011
The Community Centre	11am - 7pm
KEYINGHAM	Thurs 24th February 2011
Village Hall	10am – 6pm

 Leafleting/Newsletters – we will contact all residences, businesses and special interest groups within 2km of the site including the villages of East Halton, North Killingholme, South Killingholme and Keyingham with details about the project. Each leaflet will contain a postage paid response card.

- Newspaper Publication Publish SOCC in local newspapers: Grimsby Telegraph, Scunthorpe Telegraph, Hull Daily Mail and Holderness Gazette.
- Documents for Inspection Consultation documents and plans are available for inspection at the following locations from 31st January until 19th March 2011. These documents include a report on the preliminary environmental information that has been compiled to date.

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VENUE	OPENING HOURS
BARTON-UPON-HUMBER	Mon 9.30am-7pm;
LIBRARY - Providence House, Holydyke, DN18 5PR	Tues, Thu & Frl 9.30am-5pm; Sat 9am-1pm
BRIGG LIBRARY Old Courts Road, Brigg. DN20 8JW	Mon 9.30am-5pm; Tue 9.30am-6pm; Wed 9.30am-1pm; Thu 9.30am-5pm; Fri 9.30am-7pm;
	Sat 9am-1pm
GOXHILL LIBRARY The Parish Room, Howe Lane, Gaxhill. DN19 7HS	Mon 3.30pm-7pm; Wed 2pm-δpm; Frl 3.30pm-7pm
IMMINGHAM LIBRARY Clvlc Centre, Pelham Road, Immingham, DN40 1QF	Mon 9am-7pm; Tues 8.30am-5.30pm; Weds 8.30am-5.30pm; Thu 9am-7pm; Frt 8.30am-5.30pm; Sat 9am-2pm
SCUNTHORPE COUNCIL OFFICE Church Square House, 30-40 High Street, Scunthorpe DN15 6NL	Mon – Thu 9am–5pm; Frt 9am–4.30pm; Sat 9am–12pm
EAST RIDING OF YORKSHIRE COUNCIL CSC 2 New Road, Hedon HU12 8EN	Mon - Thu 9am-5pm; Fri 9am-4.30pm

 Documents for purchase - documents are available for free download from Able's website. Hard copies can be obtained from Able using the contact details below, but a charge will be made for these.

### RESPONSES AND FURTHER INFORMATION

Requests for further information and responses to the consultation can be made in the following ways. When responding, please state who you are or on whose behalf you are making the response; the grounds of your response and an address where correspondence relating to the project can be sent. Please be aware that responses will be made public.

We ask that responses are received by 20th March 2011.

Via email: info@amep.co.uk
Telephone: 0800 046 7320
By post: Marine Energy Park
Consultation Team
Able House
Billingham Reach
Industrial Estate
Billingham

Website: www.amep.co.uk

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Figure 3a4 - A-Board example

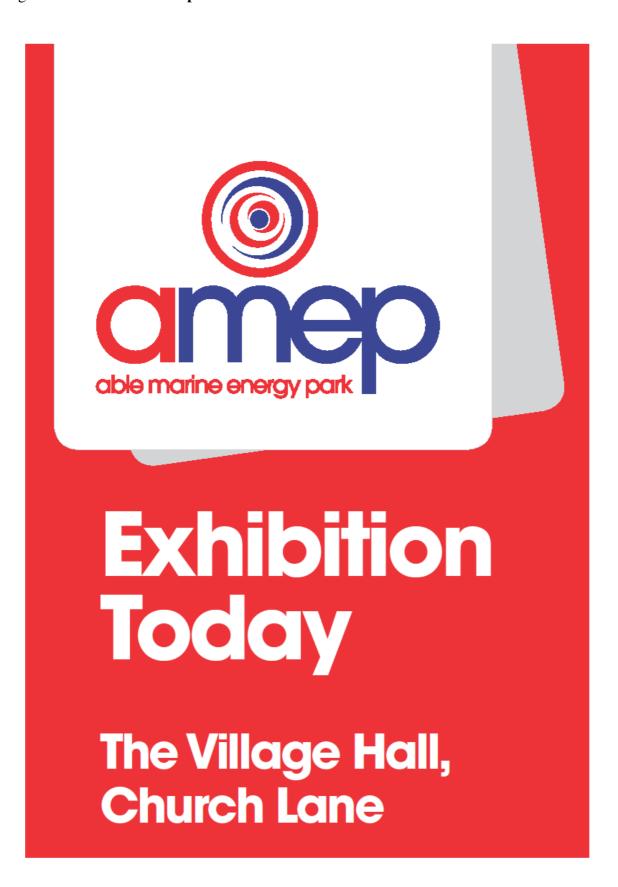


Figure 3a5 – **Questionnaire** (page 1 of 2)



Mr / Mrs / Ms
First Name
Surname
Address 1
Address 2
Town
Postcode
Tel
Email
I would like to receive updates from Able O pieces tick
Has the public consultation event been helpful? Yes / No
Are there any comments you would like to make about the event?



What benefits do you think it will bring?
Do you have any concerns?
Do you have any comments you would like to make?
s there anything else you think we should be aware of?

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Do you support the proposals for the Marine Energy Park? Yes / No

Figure 3a6 - Newsletter (page 1 of 2)



## (ey facts and figures

- \$450m Able UK's proposed investment in the South Humber Bank
- 1,720m total quay frontage
- -11m CD diedged berith pocket
- 136 acres The area of land reclamation
- 605 acres the area of terrestrial development
- 175,000 m² approximate manufacturing floor space created
- 4,000 new jobs directly on site thousands more created in anciliary inclustries
  - 25GW the potential of the Round 3 North Sea offshore wind farms
- 5,000 the number of SMM furbines that would be required for the Round 3 North Sea offshore wind farms 53bn - the projected investment in the South Humber Bank in the next 10 years - the last strategic stre with
  - deep water frontage in the UK

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\$100bn - the Investment required for the Round 3 wind zones

33% - the UK's share of the European wind resource

- 2012 the proposed construction start date
- 2014 the proposed operational date

## Let us know your thoughts!

The Abie Martine Energy Park is arguably the biggest ever economic boost to the Humber economy with the potential to create over 10,000 new lobs directly and

We would love to know your thoughts on our proposals.

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19-123 Marfeet Lane HUD SRN You can email us at: info@annep.co.uk

You can ring us free of charge on: 0800 046 7320

And you can leave feedback or find out more about the scheme at:

## 4,000 jobs boost for Humber economy

The Humber economy is set to benefit from more than 4,000 new jobs in the growing renewable energy sector if a new port proposal becomes a reality

paying decent wages and which

The Able Marine Energy Park is

an exciting proposal which

edition of AMEP News

we believe will directly create

real investment and real lobs companies making Obviously a large and ambition complexities, but we hope that through effective engagemen

products again.

project is not without its

Killingholme Marshes and North Killingholme Haven on the Humber Estuary provide bespoke berthing facilities for the specialist vessels deployed to The Abie Marine Energy Park is an exciting proposal to develop land at and includes plans for a new quay with a frontage of approximately 1,200m in length and deep water port facilities. The new quays will instal offshore wind turbines

and opportunities for the associated supply chain. Major European manufactures are shown to be looking closely at sites on the Humber to locate their manufacturing operations. and installation of offshore wind furbines and also to provide resources The scheme proposes facilities for the manufacturing, commissioning

provide sustainable employment and training opportunities for

generations to come.

and other stakeholders, we can deliver a scheme that will

residents, councils, businesses

and consultation with local

Important is to recognise that the scale of the apportunities in the renewable energy field is huge and we want to attract the manufacturers. and suppliers of wind furbines to the region, confirming that the Humber is Able group development director, Nell Etherington, said: "What's the right place to make their investments

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involvement. You can contact

us through our website -

We would welcome your

area as the best location for providing the wide range of services and manufacturing needed to meet the future demand in the offshore wind development that there are many different companies looking to the "We know from the huge level of Interest in our Marine Energy Park sector - and indeed other renewable energy technologies

5,000 new wind tubines - all of which will require manufacturing, assembling commissioning, instaling and servicing. With the Able Manhe Energy Park on the holloon and with a strong skills base in manufacturing. 25 gigawatts of electricity or the equivalent of around 20 nuclear power stations. The Round 3 offshore wind farms alone will require approximately "Round 3" licences for offstrore wind development - which would create and digheeting, the Humber region is perfectly placed to take a advantage of this significant appointmitty. The scheme is projected to create around 400 new floor discording with more than 6,000 most page. offshore wind resource in Europe - enough to supply the UK's electricity The market for offshore wind is enormous. The UK has 33% of the total needs three times over. The Crown Estate recently announced the created in supply and associated industries.

Best Wishes

I hope you find this first edition of AMEP News Informative and we

look forward to hearing from you

Group Development Director Nell EtherIngton



# Our proposals for the Marine Energy Park

and Round 3 wind farm developments with good links The South Humber Bank is the last remaining strategic development site fronting a deep water estuary in In Yorkshire and Humber. It is centrally located on the east coast of the UK, close to many of the Round 2 the UK and the largest employment land allocation to central Europe. The sthe truly is a big space in the fght place

The Marine Energy Park is an exciting proposal and includes new guay and deep water port facilities on the south bank of the Humber to support the offstore. renewable energy industry. The scheme proposes facilities for the manufacturing, commissioning and installiation of offshore wind turbines and also to provide resources and opportunities for the

the Kilingholme Pits to the north and Burkinshaw's Covert to the west, and is surrounded on three sides by Industrial development with some agricultural land uses, immediately to the north of the site is the The site is located on the Killngholme Marshes and around 25 per cent of the UK refinery capacity) as well as the Conoco Prilips Combined Heat and total and Conoco oil refineries (which account for les to the south. The stie's western boundary runs adjacent to Rosper Road, beyond which are the Humber Sea Terminal (HST); ABP Imminaham Port North Killingholme Haven on the Humber Estuary It's bordered by the Humber estuary to the east, associated supply chain Power (CHP) Plant.

The site is also close to the E.ON and Certifica power staffons.

The proposed development will include a new quay to serve the wind energy sector. The new quays will provide bespoke berthing facilities for the specialist vessels deployed to install offshore wind furthines. with a frontage of approximately 1,200m in length

chains. This provides maximum opportunities regarding creation with the associated beneficial impacts upon the local, regional and national economies. would incorporate direct manufacture by the original The scale of the site affords the unique opportunity to develop an integrated cluster of activity which equipment manufacturers and their enrine supply both production efficiencies and employment

The marine development, through the construction of

concrete quays and land reclamation will cover an area of 136 acres extending into the Humber estuary.

additional land to compensate for the loss of intertidal Humber and discussions are well advanced with both

The specialist facility will require the provision of

and subtitate habitats. Appropriate compensation land has been identified on the north bank of the

The compensatory habitat is required to comply with the relevant land owner and environmental bodies.

European Directives

many more are expected to be created in anciliary The offshore wind industry is an emerging high-tech

ndustries

Industry which will provide a range of professional, skilled and semi-skilled employment opportunities.

Park is expected to be in excess of 4,000, afflough

The total number of jobs on the Marine Energy

The Able site on the South Humber Barnk was Identified In DECC's UK Offshore Wind Ports Prospectus as being:

centrally on the east coast with good existing links and construction and manufactuming, It is located It is envisaged that the development will include new quays specified to meet the occupier's requirements an ideal location for development for both

sustainable and renewable energy production methods are developed or new "water hachnology" or an example. The facility will be well placed to provide the introstucture required to deliver these It is also envisaged that in the future, as other ypes of projects.



If you have any questions you would like to ask about the Marine Energy Park or any feedback you would like to give, please complete this card and post it back to us free of charge.				
Name:	Comment/question:			
Address:				
Postcode:				
Tel:				
Email: I would like to receive updates from Able UK				
You can also find out more information and give feedback at:				
www.amep.co.uk				







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Figure 3a8 – Leaflet delivered to north bank residents (with reply card)

### Able Marine Energy Park, Killingholme



Able UK Ltd is proposing to develop a Marine Energy Park for the manufacture and transportation of offshore wind turbines at Killingholme in North Lincolnshire.

The project, which is anticipated to create 4,000 new jobs directly and many more indirectly, will involve the reclamation of up to 136 acres of the Humber Estuary and the development of approximately 605 acres of land onshore.

The impacts of the proposed development on the intertidal zone mean that Able UK intends to develop a site on the north bank of the Humber as compensatory intertidal habitat for wildlife. The site, at Cherry Cobb Sands, East Riding of Yorkshire, is currently in agricultural use and lies between the estuary and Cherry Cobb Sands Road. It is proposed to construct a new flood defence wall along the landward side and breach the existing flood defence wall to allow the estuary to reclaim the land and develop it into intertidal habitat for wildlife.

Able will be holding a public consultation day for all interested parties to attend:

VENUE	DATE	TIME
KEYINGHAM The Village Hall, Keyingham	Thursday 24th February 2011	10am - 6pm



Experts from relevant areas will be available to talk through the proposals and answer any questions you may have.

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or call

### 0800 046 7320

free of charge.

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Figure 3a9 – Leaflet delivered to south bank residents (with reply card)

### Able Marine Energy Park, Killingholme



Able UK Ltd is proposing to develop a Marine Energy Park at Killingholme in North Lincolnshire. The Marine Energy Park is an exciting new proposal for new quay and deep water port facilities to support the offshore renewable energy industry. The scheme proposes facilities for the manufacturing, commissioning and installation of offshore wind turbines and also to provide resources and opportunities to the associated supply chain.

The project, which is anticipated to create 4,000 new jobs directly and many more indirectly through the supply chain, will involve the reclamation of up to 136 acres of the Humber Estuary and the development of approximately 605 acres of land onshore.

Able will be holding a number of public consultation days on the following dates for all interested parties to attend at:

VENUE	DATE	TIME
EAST HALTON The Village Hall, Townside	Tues 8th February 2011	2pm - 9pm
NORTH KILLINGHOLME The Village Hall, Church Lane	Wed 9th February 2011	10am - 6pm
IMMINGHAM Immingham Civic Centre	Sat 12th February 2011 Tues 22nd February 2011	9am - 2pm 4pm - 9pm
SOUTH KILLINGHOLME The Community Centre	Wed 23rd February 2011	11am - 7pm



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Figure 3a10 - **Exhibition set-up** 



Figure 3a11 - **Exhibition – in progress** 

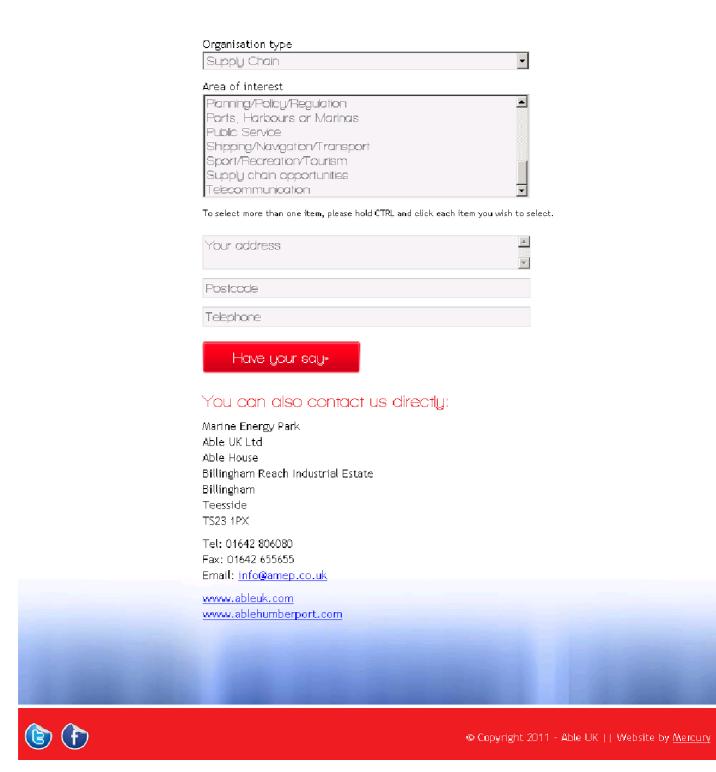


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Figure 3a12 - Website feedback form (continues on next page)



Organisation type Supply Chain



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Figure 3a13 Grimsby Telegraph article 14 February 2011

Public consultation over facility which may create 10,000 jobs | In Brief



### Marine energy park is warmly welcomed

### Son stole from mother's home to pay off debt

THE TELEGRAPH Monday, February 14, 2011 7

### Cash for communities

### Gun licences increasing

THE number of Lincolnshire teenagers being granted shotgun licences is on the up. Figures show the number of under-18s taking up shooting as a hobby has risen from just 12 in. However, the total number of licences issued fell to 380 during the 2009-10 financial year to 22 during 2009-10. However, the total number of licences issued fell to 380 during the 2009-10 financial year, from 403 the previous year.

Helen Wilkie, firearms licensing manager for Lincoinshire Folice, said full checks were made on anyone applying for a licence and their on anyone applying for a licence and their She said: "As it is a rural country country pursuits include shooting and, in many cases, it's a way of life."

### Police budget for Acpo

HUMBERSIDE Police Authority will continue to pay money to the Association Of Chief Police Officers (Acpo).

pay money to the Association Of Chief Police Officers (Acpo).

That is according to treasurer John Bates. He said: "At the moment our budget assumes that we are going to pay it."

The announcement follows news several authorities in the country are to rebel against the body which represents Britain's chief police officers.

Up to 13 of the 43 police authorities in England and Wales will, for the first time, this year refuse to pay Acpo, according to a story in the Guardian.

The Humberside Police Authority will announce its budget at a special meeting on Tuesday.

See your Grimsby Telegraph for

### Join team to help out

## IMMINGHAM residents have welcomed plans for a £400 pouls includes the positive sumillion Marine Energy Park in Killingholme – in particular the flown's Circle Centre on Saturday, some residents even turned up hoping to get one of the jobs that may soon be on offer. At a public consultation at the flown's Circle Centre on Saturday, some residents even turned up hoping to get one of the jobs that may soon be on offer. As reported, Able UK hopes to transform a 2000-acre site into a soon be on offer. Sas reported, Able UK hopes to transform a 2000-acre site into a facility for manufacturing and installing offshore urbines. Sased at Killingholme the shift in the town for 48 years. She satit: "I have been to many facility for manufacturing and installing offshore urbines. She satit: "I have been to many facility for manufacturing and installing offshore in the fact this prings new jobs and a local at which is a shout time the same needs. It will create of the manufacturing base for any turbine or renewable heart in this or to looks really impressive there. This plan also includes a deep water port terminal. Able bosses are currently underation events prior to applying for planning permanents of the project of correct and the verything goes to plan they hope to begin construction next prior to applying for planning permanents of the project of the p

### Jazz band turns back clock with 'old songs for the new depression'

HOW times change.

78 RPM Jazz Band,
Riverhead Theatre,
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Figure 3a14 Grimsby Telegraph article 25 February 2011



### Swimming

courses

### Tree sale for church

### Town push for record

HORNSEA: Residents in the seaside town are working on the world's longest piece of continuous bunting. It is part of Fairtrade Fortnight. The current record is 2,696 metres. Schools, clubs and societies in the seaside town are making the

### **Delve** into bat world

The event takes place

### Prime farmland to become mudflats?

**E RIDING:** Anger over scheme to create flood defence

### InShort

Countryside Reporter
d.taylor@mailnewsmedia.co.uk



### In Brief

### Good Ofsted report for Hessle Children's Centre

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HESSLE: Hessle Children's Centre
HESSLE: Hessle Children's Centro is a good and
improving centre, according to the Government
regulator Ofsted.
The centre is based at two sites, at The Hourne
in Eastgate and at Penshurst Primary School.
Ofsted said the centre provides good-quality
services, care, guidance and support through is
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rhough commentities, as well as family support
through committy nurseer; nurse teams and
home visits.
It is valued by the community and users say
they find the centre staff very approachable.
Well-planned activities for babies and toddlers
ensure children are well cared for and they have
stimulating opportunities to explore their
environment.
Baby massage, child health clinics and Bumps

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Baby massage, child health clinics and Bumps To Babies sessions are well-attended and provide good guidance and support for parents and carers.

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### Osteoporosis screening

AST YORKS: Screening for osteoporosis, a disease which affects one in two women over 50, will be available at two venues paxt mornh. Sessions will be held on Monday, March 14, at Beverley Town Council's Well Lane offices from 10am to noon and at the Guildhall, Hull, from 2pm to 5pm. Preventative screening is not freely available on the NHS, but a non-invasive scan is available at the sessions for the reduced cost of £22. For more information or to make an appointment, call 0845 2246784.

### Celebrate with Hamlet

Celebrate with Hamlet
COTINIGHAM: Cottingham High School is set to
celebrate the 25th anniversary of productions
directed by Kate Miller.

Mrs Miller's 25 years of school performances
will be marked with the staging of Hamlet from
Mrs Miller said: "What I like most about the
process of directing is the opportunity to work
with such talented people and create a drama
which moves the audience.
"I have been privileged to work with an
incredible number of talented actors and crew.
"We have enjoyed being part of a close-kinit
company with a common purpose and great
camaraderic."

Secondary for Hamlet, which features year 12
student Charles Reynolds in the title role.

### Nostalgic look at Boothferry Park

EAST YORKS: A new exhibition takes a noestalgic look at Hull School of Art and Schoo









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Saturday 19 February (1-3pm) Wednesday 2 March (4-6 pm), Wednesday 4 May (4-6pm)



### Part 3b Responses received and account taken

Copies of the questionnaires and leaflets submitted can be obtained from Able on request. Summary responses and the account taken of them are set out below.

### 1. Exhibitions

### Event attendance

A total of 276 people attended the events. The breakdown between venues was as follows:

- East Halton 89
- North Killingholme 50
- Immingham 1<sup>st</sup> 18
- Immingham 2<sup>nd</sup> 10
- South Killingholme 40
- Keyingham 69

### Questionnaires

A total of 6 questionnaires were received at the public events. The responses to the questionnaires and any oral comments made at the events, and how they influenced the project, are set out at Table 3b1.

### 2. Leafleting

A total of 15 freepost cards were submitted to Able. The responses are set out in Table 3b2.

### 3. Freephone number

A total of 5 calls were received by Able on the dedicated freephone number. The responses are set out in Table 3b3.

### 4. Website

A total of six responses were submitted via the website. The responses are set out in Table 3b4.

Table 3b1 – responses given by questionnaire and orally at events

Consultee	Method	Comments	Changes	Yes – what
			made to	No - why
			project?	
[Redacted]	Q'aire	Benefits of the Project are jobs to	No	Able has taken
		the area which are in short supply.		advice from the
		Concern that changes to A160 are		Highways Agency,
		just a short term solution and a		North Lincolnshire
		waste of money. To send even		Council and North
		more traffic through South		East Lincolnshire
		Killingholme will kill the village		Council as to the
		off. Once Able UK has built its		highway

Consultee	Method	Comments	Changes	Yes – what
			made to	No - why
		facility other companies will move	project?	improximents
		into the area and the increase in		improvements
				needed
		traffic will bring the A160 to a stand still		
		Considered needed to look long		
		term by building a ring road along to the docks from the A180 to the		
		other side of Immingham. Future		
		businesses then include in plans a		
		link to this ring road. The small		
		villages are then left to live and breath.		
		Changing the A160 first and then		
		putting in a ring road would be too		
		late for the small villages. If we		
		are serious about transforming the		
		Humber bank from Immingham to		
		the bridge then we need to act now		
		on the road system and not change a little at a time.		
[Dadaatad]	O'oima		No	n/a
[Redacted]	Q'aire	Benefits believed to be good for the whole area in terms of	NO	II/a
		employment, local industry and regional wealth		
[Redacted]	Q'aire	Benefit offers higher technology	No	Compensatory
[Redacted]	Qane	industry - not just logistics.	110	habitat will be
		Concern that will start		created if existing
		development but fail to complete.		habitat destroyed
		Destroying habitat in preparation		naoitat destroyed
		to build - like the URSA proposal		
[Redacted]	Q'aire	Benefit of renewable energy and	No	Hydrodynamics are
[Iteaucteu]	Q une	jobs to the area.	110	already assessed in
		Concern about silting / altering the		the Environmental
		course of the river		Statement with
				mitigation proposed
[Redacted]	Q'aire	Benefit of the scheme will bring	No	n/a
		employment		
[Redacted]	Q'aire	Project offers progress to the area,	No	n/a
	-	wind energy and renewable energy		
		is necessary - use the tide as well.		
		The country needs a variety of		
		energy providers with as little		
		damage to the environment as		
		possible.		
		Concerned about wildlife but it		
		must adapt - as long as it is		
		respectful.		

Consultee	Method	Comments	Changes made to project?	Yes – what No - why
		Considers whole area is ready for change, but it will take a long time, the infrastructure, roads, drainage, etc, must be in place and be adequate		
[Redacted]	N Kill event	Looking for business opportunities	No	Will be kept informed about project
[Redacted]	N Kill event	Asked about footpath and traffic	No	Advised about how these issues would be dealt with
[Redacted]	N Kill event	Asked about traffic	No	Advised about how this issue would be dealt with
[Redacted]	E Halton event	Asked for commitment of no housing	No	This related to a different project
[Redacted]	E Halton event	Concerned about screening and lighting	Yes	Lighting heights will be limited
[Redacted]	E Halton event	Concerned about screening and lighting	Yes	As above
[Redacted]	E Halton event	Concerned about traffic on Rosper Road	Yes	A travel plan has been agreed with North Lincolnshire Council
[Redacted]	E Halton event	Asked about Able's northern development traffic access	No	Query relates to a different project
[Redacted]	Key'ham event	Would like car parking and bird hides	Yes	Bird hides being included

### **Table 3b2 – Leaflet responses**

Consultee	Comments	Changes made	Yes – what
		to project?	No - why
[Redacted]	Will you be sponsoring any local artists to decorate the indoor environment? Will you need a psychotherapist		This will be of marginal benefit given lack of public access

Consultee	Comments	Changes made to project?	Yes – what No - why
	for helping those with industrial stress and illness		
[Redacted]	I would like to be kept informed	No	n/a
[Redacted]	I have tried to contact Able by email many times but I am unable to get a reply. Do you have further contact details?	No	This refers to a different project
[Redacted]	Seems like an amazing number of jobs. Are these for local people? Logistics / infrastructure in this area are quite poor. Any plans to improve / uprate them, police / fire etc.	No	n/a
[Redacted]	Seems like an amazing number of jobs. Are these for local people? Logistics / infrastructure in this area are quite poor. Any plans to improve / uprate them, police / fire etc.	No	n/a
[Redacted]	We consider the breaching of the north bank as a waste of time and money due to the silting up process which we have observed happening very quickly at Paull Holme Strays. This is also a waste of good agricultural land which the north bank needs for green industry	No	Able is satisfied that there is a legal requirement to provide a compensation site and that the site chosen is the best one
[Redacted]	Do you propose to keep open the existing public footpaths that are within the planned development? Also, will the public still be able to walk along the riverbank on the existing pathway? (to the Immingham Terminal and in	No	The footpaths will be diverted on either bank

Consultee	Comments	Changes made to project?	Yes – what
		to project.	No - why
	the opposite direction)		
No name given	You are spoiling good farmland to make a product that doesn't work half the time and that's being generous. Lincolnshire's getting the jobs let them lose the land.	No	This is an in-principle objection
[Redacted]	This project is needed in the area, but we feel that the roads are not suitable to take more traffic at this time. Hopefully this will be addressed by the government in the near future.	No	The traffic and transport effects of the project have been assessed and will be mitigated appropriately
[Redacted]	This project is needed in the area, but we feel that the roads are not suitable to take more traffic at this time. Hopefully this will be addressed by the government in the near future.	No	As above
[Redacted]	We thought the presentation of the Able Marine Energy Park at Immingham Civic Centre was very well done and we hope it all goes ahead. Our only concern is the road traffic it will create through our town. Hope this will be one of your main priorities.	No	As above
[Redacted]	We thought the presentation of the Able Marine Energy Park at Immingham Civic Centre was very well done and we hope it all goes ahead. Our only concern is the road traffic it will create through our town. Hope this will be one of your main priority.	No	As above

Consultee	Comments	Changes made to project?	Yes – what No - why
[Redacted]	Will not be able to attend meeting but wish you all the best with this worthwhile venture	No	n/a
[Redacted]	Very concerned about transport links as we do not believe Top Road can deal with it.		A travel plan will be developed and approved by the local authority that will discourage use of Top Road
[Redacted]	Very concerned about transport links as we do not believe Top Road can deal with it.		As above

### **Table 3b3 – Freephone responses**

Response from	Summary	Changes made to project?	Yes – what No - why
[Redacted]	General comments about wind energy	No	Comments did not require changes
[Redacted]	Would Cherry Cobb Road be flooded	No	Answer 'no' was sufficient
[Redacted]	Query about Amec	No	Did not relate to project
[Redacted]	Checking event details	No	Giving details was sufficient
[Redacted]	Query about housing for a different Able development	No	Did not relate to project

### **Table 3b4 - Website responses**

Response from	Summary	Changes made to project?	Yes – what No - why
East Yorkshire and Derwent Ramblers (two submissions)	Concerns about diverted footpath along north bank; e.g. should go along top of bund	Yes	Able has balanced the wishes of Natural England and the Ramblers for the best position for the footpath in terms of ecology and

Response from	Summary	Changes made to project?	Yes – what No - why recreational needs
Clugston Construction	Wanted to be kept up to date with progress	No	n/a
[Redacted] Thorngumbald	Supportive of green wind and wave technology	No	n/a
[Redacted] Hull	Wanted to be kept up to date with progress	No	n/a
[Redacted] South Cave	More detail of proposals at Cherry Cobb Sands requested	No	n/a

### **APPENDIX 4** Details of the section 48 consultation

### Part 4a Consultation materials issued

The only 'consultation material' as such was the public notice published in the publications listed at paragraph 6.1, the text of which is reproduced below.

### **ABLE UK LTD**

### **SECTION 48, PLANNING ACT 2008**

REGULATION 4, INFRASTRUCTURE PLANNING (APPLICATIONS: PRESCRIBED FORMS AND PROCEDURE) REGULATIONS 2009

NOTICE PUBLICISING A PROPOSED APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER ("DCO") TO BUILD A QUAY AND ASSOCIATED WORKS AT KILLINGHOLME, NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE AND KEYINGHAM, EAST RIDING OF YORKSHIRE

Notice is hereby given that Able UK Ltd ("Able") of Able House, Billingham Reach Industrial Estate, Billingham TS23 1PX intends to apply to the Infrastructure Planning Commission ("IPC") under section 37 of the Planning Act 2008 ("the Act") for the abovementioned DCO ("the proposed application").

Able is proposing to build a 1320m long quay at Killingholme on the South Humber Bank in North Lincolnshire, which together with associated development will allow the manufacture and transportation of wind turbines to sites in the North Sea.

As the quay will be capable of handling more than 5 million tonnes of cargo per annum, it is therefore a 'nationally significant infrastructure project' by virtue of section 24 of the Act.

The Humber Estuary is a 'Natura 2000' site, which means that it has special environmental protection. To compensate for the loss of some of this habitat, a (larger) compensatory habitat is proposed to be created on the north bank of the Humber at Cherry Cobb Sands.

The centre of the Marine Energy Park site is at grid reference TA170183, and the centre of the compensatory habitat is at grid reference TA220208.

The proposed application would seek a DCO authorising, amongst other things:

- the construction and operation of a 1320m quay and associated dredging and land reclamation:
- the provision of onshore facilities for the manufacture, assembly and storage of wind turbines and related items;
- the diversion or stopping up of a footpath that runs along the south shore of the Humber;
- any necessary upgrade works to surrounding roads (Rosper Road, Eastfield Road, the A160 and the A180);
- the conversion of a railway into a private siding;
- the diversion of a sludge main and a drainage ditch;
- the re-siting of apparatus;

- the interference with rights of navigation;
- the creation of a harbour authority;
- deemed consent under section 34 of the Coast Protection Act 1949;
- a deemed licence under Part 2 of the Food and Environmental Protection Act 1985;
- the modification of public and local legislation;
- the creation of a compensatory environmental habitat on the north bank of the Humber; and
- the compulsory acquisition of land and rights in land and powers of temporary occupation of land to allow Able to carry out and operate the above development.

The proposed project is "EIA development" for the purposes of the Infrastructure Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2009. This means that the proposed works constitute development for which Environmental Impact Assessment would be required. Able's proposed application for a DCO would therefore be accompanied by an Environmental Statement, containing the information that is required for the IPC to make that assessment.

Due to its effect on the Natura 2000 site, the project will also undergo 'appropriate assessment', as required by the Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010.

The documents, plans and maps showing the nature and location of the proposed development, including information so far compiled about environmental impacts ("preliminary environmental information"), are available for inspection free of charge from Monday 31st January 2011 until Saturday 19th March 2011 at the places and times set out below:

VENUE	OPENING HOURS		
Barton-upon-Humber Library	Mondays 9.30am-7pm; Tuesdays, Thursdays &		
Providence House, Holydyke DN18	Fridays 9.30am-5pm; Saturdays 9am-1pm;		
5PR	(Closed Wednesdays & Sundays)		
Brigg Library	Mondays & Thursdays 9.30am-5pm; Tuesdays		
Old Courts Road, Brigg DN20 8JW	9.30am-6pm; Wednesdays 9.30am-1pm; Fridays		
	9.30am-7pm; Saturdays 9am-1pm; (Closed		
	Sundays)		
Goxhill Library	Mondays & Fridays 3.30pm-7pm; Wednesdays		
The Parish Room, Howe Lane, Goxhill	2pm-5pm; (Closed Tuesdays, Thursdays,		
DN19 7HS	Saturdays & Sundays)		
Immingham Library	Mondays & Thursdays 9am-7pm; Tuesdays,		
Civic Centre, Pelham Road,	Wednesdays & Fridays 8.30am-5.30pm;		
Immingham. DN40 1QF	Saturdays 9am-2pm; (Closed Sundays)		
Scunthorpe Council Office	Mondays-Thursdays 9am-5pm; Fridays 9am-		
Church Square House, 30-40 High	4.30pm; Saturdays 9am-12pm; (Closed Sundays)		
Street, Scunthorpe DN15 6NL			
East Riding of Yorkshire Council	Mondays-Thursdays 9am-5pm; Fridays 9am-		
CSC	4.30pm; (Closed Saturdays & Sundays)		
2 New Road, Hedon HU12 8EN			

The above-mentioned documents, plans and maps will also be available online through the project website at www.amep.co.uk from Monday 31st January 2011. Copies of the documents, plans and maps can be provided on request to the address below, and may be subject to a reasonable charge up to a maximum of £950 for a printed hard copy and £15 for an electronic copy on CD.

Able is now consulting on the proposed application. Any representations on the proposals should be made in writing to the Marine Energy Park Consultation Team, Able House, Billingham Reach Industrial Estate, Billingham TS23 1PX, or by email to info@amep.co.uk. The deadline for receipt of responses by Able is Saturday 19th March 2011.

Able requests that responses state the grounds of the representation, indicate who is making it, and provide an address to which any correspondence relating to the representation may be sent. Please note that responses will be made public.

Bircham Dyson Bell LLP, Solicitors to Able UK Ltd 50 Broadway, London SW1H 0BL

27 January 2011

### Part 4b Responses received and account taken

The following responses were received by post. All responses from those who were not statutory consultees received through other media are recorded in Appendix 3b.

Respondent	Summary of response	Changes made to project?	Yes – what No - why
Ottringham Drainage Board and Keyingham Drainage Board	Concerned about effect of compensation site creation on Stone Creek outfall; concern that replacement bund will be porous	Yes	An agreed monitoring plan for Stone Creek is to be implemented
[Redacted]	Support for project	No	n/a
[Redacted]	Asked for justification of length of wharf, that the Equator Principles will apply, and for proposals for footpath	No	Responded to indicate where justification can be found, what footpath diversion proposals are, and that Equator Principles apply to funding organisations.
Lincolnshire Wolds Countryside Services	Landscape and visual – additional photomontages requested	No	Visual impact will be as for other static structures as wind turbines will not be operational.

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### **APPENDIX 5** Schedule of meetings held with consultees

### Meetings held before the formal s42 consultation

Date	Present	Matters discussed
2010-03-30	ABP Harbourmaster	Berthing Line Consultation
2010-04-07	E.ON	General AMEP Consultation
2010-04-08	Anglian Water	General AMEP Consultation
2010-06-09	NE, NLC	Consultation for AHPF - Phase 3
2010-07-06	Network Rail	Consultation on Masterplan
2010-07-14	NLC, HA	AMEP Transport Consultation
2010-07-27	EA, Anglian Water	Elsham Waste Water Treatment Effluent Diversion
2010-08-02	IPC	Project Inception
2010-08-17	Network Rail	Consultation of Land purchase
2010-09-10	ABP Harbourmaster	General AMEP Consultation
2010-09-11	NLC	Archaeology Consultation 1
2010-09-20	EA	General AMEP Consultation
2010-09-21	NE	Ecology Consultation Meeting 1
2010-10-07	NLC, NELC, HINCA	NLC Consultation 1
2010-10-10	HST, Cobelfret	General AMEP Consultation
2010-10-11	NELDB	Surface Water Drainage Strategy
2010-10-13	Anglian Water	Foul and Surface Water Drainage
2010-10-19	NE, NLC, HINCA	Ecology Consultation Meeting 2
2010-10-27	ERYC (Humber Archaeology Partnership)	Cherry Cobb Sands Archaeology
2010-11-03	EA	General AMEP Consultation
2010-11-09	NLC, HA	A160/A180 Scheme Status

Date	Present	Matters discussed
2010-11-10	Network Rail	Consultation of Land purchase
2010-11-16	NE, RSPB, HINCA	Ecology Consultation Meeting 3
2010-11-17	ERYC	General AMEP Consultation
2010-11-18	E.ON	Consultation on the Masterplan
2010-11-18	Centrica	Consultation on the Masterplan
2010-12-08	MMO	General AMEP Consultation
2010-12-09	EA, NE	General AMEP Consultation
2010-12-10	ABP Harbourmaster	General AMEP Consultation
2010-12-14	ABP	General AMEP Consultation
2010-12-16	NE, RSPB, HINCA	Ecology Consultation Meeting 4
2011-01-28	English Heritage	General AMEP Consultation

### Meetings held during and following on from the section 42 consultation

Date	Present	Matters discussed	Changes made
2011-02-01	NE, NLC, RSPB, HINCA	Ecology Consultation Meeting 5	Mitigation and compensation site designs developed further.
2011-02-10	IPC	Project Update	Approach to documentation improved in line with IPC's advice.
2011-02-28	NE, NLC, RSPB, HINCA	Ecology Consultation Meeting 6	Scope and format of Habitats Regulations Assessment agreed.
2011-03-03	NLC	PROW meeting	Preferred footpath diversion route adopted in design.
2011-03-09	HM, EA, NE, MMO, CEFAS,	Dredge Workshop	Substantial changes to dredging strategy and application documentation agreed.
2011-03-17	ERYC	PROW Meeting	Some changes to proposed footpath diversion adopted.

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Date	Present	Matters discussed	Changes made
2011-03-17	NE, NLC, RSPB, HINCA	Ecology Consultation Meeting 7	Mitigation proposals refined.
2011-03-18	CAA	Aviation Consultation	Lighting requirements clarified and OHS defined.
2011-04-06	NLC, EH	Archaeology Consultation Meeting	Mitigation strategy substantially developed.
2011-04-07	Paull Parish Council	Compensation Site Consultation	None
2011-04-08	NE, RSPB, HINCA	Ecology Consultation Group 8	None
2011-04-20	MMO, EA, CEFAS	General AMEP Consultation	Dredge proposals refined, and quay design subjected to amendments and further modelling.
2011-05-03	NE, RSPB, HINCA	Ecology Consultation Meeting 9	Mitigation proposals developed. Additional wet grassland proposed for compensation site.
2011-05-12	Cobelfret	Stakeholder Consultation	None
2011-05-18	ABP	Stakeholder Consultation	None
2011-05-18	Paull Parish Council	Compensation Site Consultation	None
2011-05-23	NE, NLC, RSPB, HINCA	Ecology Consultation Meeting 10	Principle of how mitigation would be refined agreed.
2011-06-17	NE, NLC, RSPB, HINCA	Ecology Consultation Meeting 11	None
2011-07-06	NELC	General AMEP Consultation	None
2011-07-11	EA	General AMEP Consultation	Quay design reconfigured.
2011-07-15	ERYC	General AMEP Consultation	Walkers' car park included at Cherry Cobb Sands.
2011-07-18	EA, NE, MMO, NLC, RSPB, HINCA	Multi-Agency AMEP Consultation	Major underlying principles of compensation scheme agreed. Mitigation buffering explored. Assessment of effects on migratory fish

Date	Present	Matters discussed	Changes made
			included in EIA. Proposed pumping-station relocated.
2011-08-09	NE, RSPB, HINCA	Ecology Consultation Meeting 12	Broad quanta and habitat types of compensation agreed, subject to further more detailed discussions.
2011-08-23	NE	Ecology Consultation Meeting 13	More detailed discussion of compensation options.
2011-09-28	CABE	General AMEP Consultation, including a site visit	None
2011-10-12	NE	Ecology Consultation Special Meeting	More detailed discussion of compensation and mitigation strategy.
2011-10-25	ABP Harbour Master	Marine matters	Discussion of effects of AMEP on Humber Conservancy
2011-11-10	E.ON	Quay Impacts Consultation	More detailed discussion of modelling results.
2011-11-17	HST	General AMEP Consultation	None.

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